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On January 5, 2011, pursuant to H. Res. 6, Chairman Doc Hastings of Washington, was elected to the Committee.

On January 5, 2011, pursuant to H. Res. 7, Ranking Member Edward J. Markey of Massachusetts, was elected to the Committee.

On January 18, 2011, pursuant to H. Res. 37, the Majority (Republican) Members were elected to the Committee.

On January 19, 2011, pursuant to H. Res. 39, the Minority (Democrat) Members were elected to the Committee.

On March 2, 2011, the Honorable Donna M. Christensen of the U.S. Virgin Islands, resigned from the Committee.

On October 25, 2011, the Honorable Charles J. "Chuck" Fleischmann of Tennessee, resigned from the Committee.

On October 25, 2011, pursuant to H. Res. 447, the Honorable Mark Amodei of Nevada, was elected to the Committee.

On February 16, 2012, pursuant to H. Res. 553, the Honorable Paul D. Tonko of New York, was elected to the Committee.

On March 20, 2012, the Honorable John P. Sarbanes of Maryland, resigned from the Committee.

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES,
June 29, 2012.

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk of the House of Representatives,
The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR MS. HAAS: Pursuant to clause 1(d) of rule XI and rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives, here is the third quarter report of the legislative and oversight activities of the Committee on Natural Resources during the 112th Congress.

Sincerely,

DOC HASTINGS,
Chairman.

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Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, from the Committee on Natural Resources, submitted the following

R E P O R T

together with

ADDITIONAL AND DISSENTING VIEWS

OVERVIEW

The Committee on Natural Resources met on January 26, 2011, for an organizational meeting of the 112th Congress under the direction of Chairman Doc Hastings. The Committee Membership was 48 Members with 27 Republicans and 21 Democrats.

The Committee established five subcommittees: Energy and Mineral Resources (Doug Lamborn, Chairman); Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs (John Fleming, Chairman); Indian and Alaska Native Affairs (Don Young, Chairman); National Parks, Forests and Public Lands (Rob Bishop, Chairman); and Water and Power (Tom McClintock, Chairman).

JURISDICTION

The jurisdiction of the Committee on Natural Resources, as prescribed by *clause (m)(1) of rule X* of the Rules of the House is as follows:

- (1) Fisheries and wildlife, including research, restoration, refuges, and conservation.
- (2) Forest reserves and national parks created from the public domain.

(3) Forfeiture of land grants and alien ownership, including alien ownership of mineral lands.

(4) Geological Survey.

(5) International fishing agreements.

(6) Interstate compacts relating to apportionment of waters for irrigation purposes.

(7) Irrigation and reclamation, including water supply for reclamation projects and easements of public lands for irrigation projects; and acquisition of private lands when necessary to complete irrigation projects.

(8) Native Americans generally, including the care and allotment of Native American lands and general and special measures relating to claims that are paid out of Native American funds.

(9) Insular possessions of the United States generally (except those affecting the revenue and appropriations).

(10) Military parks and battlefields, national cemeteries administered by the Secretary of the Interior, parks within the District of Columbia, and the erection of monuments to the memory of individuals.

(11) Mineral land laws and claims and entries thereunder.

(12) Mineral resources of the public lands.

(13) Mining interests generally.

(14) Mining schools and experimental stations.

(15) Marine affairs, including coastal zone management (except for measures relating to oil and other pollution of navigable waters).

(16) Oceanography.

(17) Petroleum conservation on public lands and conservation of the radium supply in the United States.

(18) Preservation of prehistoric ruins and objects of interest on the public domain.

(19) Public lands generally, including entry, easements, and the grazing thereon.

(20) Relations of the United States with Native Americans and Native American tribes.

(21) Trans-Alaska Oil Pipeline (except ratemaking).

ACTIVITIES REPORT

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES STATISTICS

Total number of bills and resolutions referred	586
Total number of meeting days:	
Full Committee (50)	
Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources (31)	
Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs (25)	
Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs (19)	
Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands (36)	
Subcommittee on Water and Power (20)	
Total	181
Total number of bills ordered reported from Committee	133
Total number of reports filed	111
Total number of bills referred to/discharged by Committee on Natural Resources and passed by the House of Representatives	68
Total number of public laws	21
Total number of bills enacted into law*	33

*Includes House and Senate Resolutions.

FULL COMMITTEE

I. LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. Legislative Hearings, Markups and Administrative Business Meetings

January 26, 2011—Full Committee met to organize for the 112th Congress; to adopt the Committee Rules, agree to an oversight plan, and adopt the Committee Staff Hiring Resolution.

April 13, 2011—Markup held on H.R. 1229, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico; H.R. 1230, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1231, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to require that each 5-year offshore oil and gas leasing program offer leasing in the areas with the most prospective oil and gas resources, to establish a domestic oil and natural gas production goal, and for other purposes.

May 25, 2011—Markup held on H.R. 290, to amend title 36, United States Code, to ensure that memorials commemorating the service of the United States Armed Forces may contain religious symbols, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1670, to amend the Sikes Act to improve the application of that Act to State-owned facilities used for the national defense.

June 15, 2011—Markup held on H.R. 295, to amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998 to authorize funds to acquire hydrographic data and provide hydrographic services specific to the Arctic for safe navigation, delineating the United States extended continental shelf, and the monitoring and description of coastal changes; H.R. 320, to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California; H.R. 441, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for a microhydro project in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes; H.R. 470, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and for other purposes; H.R. 489, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, and for other purposes; H.R. 643, to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; H.R. 670, to convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give that territory the same benefits in its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands; H.R. 686, to require the conveyance of certain public land within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, to support the training and readiness of the Utah National Guard; H.R. 765, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other purposes; H.R. 944, to eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by

incorporating the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, into the California Coastal National Monument managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands, and for other purposes; H.R. 1022, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes; H.R. 1141, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating prehistoric, historic, and limestone forest sites on Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as a unit of the National Park System; H.R. 1160, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes; and S. 266, a bill to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.

June 24, 2011—Full Committee met to approve the semi-annual 112th Congress Report on Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Natural Resources. (*First Quarter*)

July 13, 2011—Markup held on H.R. 1408, to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 1904, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources in southeast Arizona by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes; H.R. 2150, to amend the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an expeditious program of competitive leasing of oil and gas in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska, including at least one lease sale in the Reserve each year in the period 2011 through 2021, and for other purposes; H.R. 2170, streamlining Federal review to facilitate renewable energy projects; H.R. 2171, to promote timely exploration for geothermal resources under existing geothermal leases, and for other purposes; H.R. 2172, to facilitate the development of wind energy resources on Federal lands; and H.R. 2173, to facilitate the development of offshore wind energy resources.

July 20, 2011—Markup held on H.R. 241, to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California; H.R. 258, to require the Office of Management and Budget to prepare a crosscut budget for restoration activities in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, to require the Environmental Protection Agency to develop and implement an adaptive management plan, and for other purposes; H.R. 461, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes; H.R. 473, to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes; H.R. 795, to expand small-scale hydropower; H.R. 818, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District; H.R. 1158, to authorize the conveyance of mineral rights by the Secretary of the Interior in the State of Montana, and for other

purposes; H.R. 1258, to provide for the conveyance of parcels of land to Mantua, Box Elder County, Utah; H.R. 1421, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 to clarify the role of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma with regard to the maintenance of the W.D. Mayo Lock and Dam in Oklahoma; H.R. 1560, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe; and H.R. 2011, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an assessment of the capability of the Nation to meet our current and future demands for the minerals critical to United States manufacturing competitiveness and economic and national security in a time of expanding resource nationalism, and for other purposes.

October 5, 2011—Markup held on H.R. 306, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 443, to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska; H.R. 588, to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 850, to facilitate a proposed project in the Lower St. Croix Wild and Scenic River, and for other purposes; H.R. 991, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; H.R. 1162, to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes; H.R. 1461, to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights; H.R. 1466, to resolve the status of certain persons legally residing in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands under the immigration laws of the United States; H.R. 1505, to prohibit the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture from taking action on public lands which impede border security on such lands, and for other purposes; H.R. 1556, to amend the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act to allow certain land to be used to generate income to provide funding for academic programs, and for other purposes; H.R. 1740, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 2060, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes; H.R. 2351, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area; H.R. 2352, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundary of the Stephen Mather Wilderness and the North Cascades National Park in order to allow the rebuilding of a road outside of the floodplain while ensuring that there is no net loss of acreage to the Park or the Wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 2360, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to extend the Constitution, laws, and jurisdiction of the United States to installations and devices attached to the seabed of the Outer Continental Shelf

for the production and support of production of energy from sources other than oil and gas, and for other purposes; H.R. 2578, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act related to a segment of the Lower Merced River in California, and for other purposes; H.R. 2752, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct onshore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live lease sales, and for other purposes; H.R. 2803, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, to conduct a technological capability assessment, survey, and economic feasibility study regarding recovery of minerals, other than oil and natural gas, from the shallow and deep seabed of the United States; H.R. 2842, to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes; H.R. 2915, to repeal the Western Area Power Administration borrowing authority, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3069, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to reduce predation on endangered Columbia River salmon and other nonlisted species, and for other purposes.

November 17, 2011—Markup held on H.R. 200, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the Rialto-Colton Basin in the State of California, and for other purposes; H.R. 205, to amend the Act titled “An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases”, approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior; H.R. 1545, to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, and for other purposes; H.R. 2027, to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Sachuest Point Unit RI-04P, Easton Beach Unit RI-05P, Almy Pond Unit RI-06, and Hazards Beach Unit RI-07 in Rhode Island; H.R. 2070, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day; H.R. 2087, to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia; H.R. 2154, to correct the boundaries of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Gasparilla Island Unit FL-70P; H.R. 2236, to provide for the issuance of a Wildlife Refuge System Conservation Semipostal Stamp; H.R. 2336, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 2362, to facilitate economic development by Indian tribes and encourage investment by Turkish enterprises; H.R. 2606, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes; H.R. 2719, to ensure public access to the summit of Rattlesnake Mountain in the Hanford Reach National Monument for educational, recreational, historical, scientific, cultural, and other purposes; H.R. 2834, to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public lands and ensure contin-

ued opportunities for these activities; H.R. 2938, to prohibit certain gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona; H.R. 3117, to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes; H.R. 3397, to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes; H.R. 3404, to establish in the Department of the Interior an Under Secretary for Energy, Lands, and Minerals and a Bureau of Ocean Energy, an Ocean Energy Safety Service, and an Office of Natural Resources Revenue, and for other purposes; and S. 535, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument, and for other purposes.

December 1, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 594, to promote coastal jobs creation, promote sustainable fisheries and fishing communities, revitalize waterfronts, and for other purposes; H.R. 1013, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide the New England Fishery Management Council additional resources to address research and monitoring priorities established by the Council; H.R. 1646, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to preserve jobs and coastal communities through transparency and accountability in fishery management, and for other purposes; H.R. 2304, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act of 2006 to provide the necessary scientific information to properly implement annual catch limits, and for other purposes; H.R. 2610, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to reform procedures for the payment of funds from the asset forfeiture fund, and for other purposes; H.R. 2753, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide Internet access to Regional Fishery Management Council meetings and meeting records, and for other purposes; H.R. 2772, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to permit eligible fishermen to approve certain limited access privilege programs, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3061, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to extend the authorized time period for rebuilding of certain overfished fisheries, and for other purposes.

February 1, 2012—Markup held on H.R. 3407, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish and implement a competitive oil and gas leasing program for the exploration, development, and production of the oil and gas resources of the Coastal Plain of Alaska, to ensure secure energy supplies for the continental Pacific Coast of the United States, lower prices, and reduce imports, and for other purposes; H.R. 3408, to set clear rules for the development of United States oil shale resources, to promote shale technology research and development, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3410, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, to provide fair and equitable revenue sharing for all coastal States, to formulate future offshore energy development plans in areas with the most potential, to generate revenue for American infrastructure, and for other purposes.

February 16, 2012—Markup held on H.R. 1837, to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for

other purposes; and H.R. 4019, to increase employment and educational opportunities in, and improve the economic stability of, counties containing Federal forest land, while also reducing the cost of managing such land, by providing such counties a dependable source of revenue from such land, and for other purposes.

February 29, 2012—Markup held on H.R. 491, to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the national forest, and for other purposes; H.R. 1038, to authorize the conveyance of two small parcels of land within the boundaries of the Coconino National Forest containing private improvements that were developed based upon the reliance of the landowners in an erroneous survey conducted in May 1960; H.R. 1335, to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, and for other purposes; H.R. 2050, to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes; H.R. 2157, to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Inyo National Forest, and for other purposes; H.R. 2240, to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes; H.R. 2512, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Clark County, Nevada, for the environmental remediation and reclamation of the Three Kids Mine Project Site, and for other purposes; H.R. 2745, to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada; H.R. 2947, to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota; H.R. 3263, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes; H.R. 3409, to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977; H.R. 3452, to provide for the sale of approximately 30 acres of Federal land in Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Salt Lake County, Utah, to permit the establishment of a minimally invasive transportation alternative for skiers, called “SkiLink”, to connect two ski resorts in the Wasatch Mountains, and for other purposes; H.R. 4089, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting; S. 271, a bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and for other purposes; S. 292, a bill to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; S. 404, a bill to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior; S. 684, a bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of

Alta, Utah; S. 897, a bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects and acid mine remediation programs.

March 28, 2012—Business Meeting held to consider a motion to authorize the Chairman to issue duces tecum subpoenas for the production of documents relating to investigations regarding: 1) the Secretary of the Interior’s decision and the process to rewrite the 2008 Stream Buffer Zone Rule under the Surface Mining Reclamation and Control Act; and 2) the process used in the preparation of a Department of the Interior report on offshore oil and natural gas operations under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act that implied that peer reviewers from the National Academy of Engineers had endorsed an offshore oil and natural gas drilling moratorium in the Gulf of Mexico.

April 25, 2012—Markup held on H.R. 460, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project; H.R. 1237, to provide for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving the transfer of land to the Bureau of Land Management and the Six Rivers National Forest in exchange for National Forest System land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, and for other purposes; H.R. 1272, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al, by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes; H.R. 1818, to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence, and for other purposes; H.R. 2467, to take certain Federal lands in Mono County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Bridgeport Indian Colony; H.R. 2489, to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program; H.R. 2621, to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; H.R. 3874, to provide for the conveyance of eight cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota; H.R. 4027, to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled “An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes”; H.R. 4222, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes; S. 363, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes; and S. 925, a bill to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence.

May 16, 2012—Markup held on H.R. 1192, to extend the current royalty rate for soda ash; H.R. 3973, to facilitate the development of energy on Indian lands by reducing Federal regulations that impede tribal development of Indian lands, and for other purposes; H.R. 4043, to amend title 10, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Defense to establish Southern Sea Otter Military Readiness Areas for national defense purposes, and for other purposes; H.R. 4381, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish goals for an all-of-the-above energy production plan strategy on a 4-year

basis on all onshore Federal lands managed by the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service; H.R. 4382, to ensure Federal oil and natural gas lease sales occur, eliminate redundant leasing bureaucracy, and provide leasing certainty; H.R. 4383, to streamline the application for permits to drill process and increase funds for energy project permit processing, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4402, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to more efficiently develop domestic sources of the minerals and mineral materials of strategic and critical importance to United States economic and national security and manufacturing competitiveness.

June 7, 2012—Markup held on H.R. 1103, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to develop, maintain, and administer an annex in Tinian, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as an extension of the American Memorial Park located in Saipan, and for other purposes; H.R. 1171, to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act; H.R. 3065, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States; H.R. 3100, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to expand the boundary of the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, to conduct a study of potential land acquisitions, and for other purposes; H.R. 3210, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to limit the application of that Act with respect to plants and plant products that were imported before the effective date of amendments to that Act enacted in 2008, and for other purposes; H.R. 3388, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; H.R. 3685, to amend the Herger-Feinstein Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery Act to extend and expand the scope of the pilot forest management project required by that Act; H.R. 3706, to create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes; H.R. 4039, to convey certain Federal land to the city of Yerington, Nevada; H.R. 4073, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875; H.R. 4094, to authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access in Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, and for other purposes; H.R. 4234, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to improve the management of grazing leases and permits, and for other purposes; H.R. 4400, to designate the Salt Pond Visitor Center at Cape Cod National Seashore as the “Thomas P. O’Neill, Jr. Salt Pond Visitor Center”, and for other purposes; S. 270, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon; and S. 997, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District.

II. OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES OF THE FULL COMMITTEE ON NATURAL
RESOURCES

A. *Oversight Hearings*

January 26, 2011—Oversight hearing on “The Final Report from the President’s National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Spill and Offshore Drilling.”

March 1, 2011—Oversight hearing on “The Impact of the Administration’s Wild Lands Order on Jobs and Economic Growth.”

March 3, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Department of the Interior Spending and the President’s Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Proposal.”

March 16, 2011—Oversight hearing on the “Obama Administration’s De Facto Moratorium in the Gulf: State, Community and Economic Impacts.”

March 17, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices: Domestic Resources and Economic Impacts.”

March 30, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Examining the Spending Priorities and the Missions of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE), and the President’s FY 2012 Budget Proposal.”

March 31, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices: Impacts on Businesses and Families.”

April 18, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Houma, Louisiana, on “Gulf of Mexico: A Focus on Community Recovery and New Response Technology.”

May 3, 2011—Joint oversight hearing with the Committee on Agriculture on “At Risk: American Jobs, Agriculture, Health and Species—the Costs of Federal Regulatory Dysfunction.”

May 13, 2011—Oversight hearing on “American Energy Initiative: Identifying Roadblocks to Wind and Solar Energy on Public Lands and Waters, Part 1—Department of the Interior Officials.”

May 25, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices: Impacts on Seniors, Working Families and Memorial Day Vacations.”

June 1, 2011—Oversight hearing on the “American Energy Initiative: Identifying Roadblocks to Wind and Solar Energy on Public Lands and Waters, Part 2—The Wind and Solar Industry Perspective.”

July 15, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Offshore Energy: Interior Department’s Plans for Offshore Energy, Revenue, and Safety Reorganization.”

July 27, 2011—Oversight hearing on “State Perspectives on Offshore Revenue Sharing.”

September 8, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Creating American Jobs by Harnessing Our Resources: U.S. Offshore and Renewable Energy Production.”

September 14, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Creating American Jobs by Harnessing Our Resources: Domestic Mining Opportunities and Hurdles.”

September 21, 2011—Oversight hearing on “ANWR: Jobs, Energy and Deficit Reduction.” (Part 1)

October 4, 2011—Oversight hearing on “The President’s New National Ocean Policy—A Plan for Further Restrictions on Ocean, Coastal and Inland Activities.”

October 12, 2011—Oversight hearing on “One Year after President Obama’s Gulf of Mexico 6-Month Moratorium Officially Lifted: Examining the Lingering Impacts on Jobs, Energy Production and Local Economies.”

October 13, 2011—Oversight hearing on “BOEMRE/U.S. Coast Guard Joint Investigation Team Report.” (Part 1)

October 17, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Seattle, Washington, on “NOAA’s Steller Sea Lion Science and Fishery Management Restrictions—Does the Science Support the Decisions?”

October 26, 2011—Oversight hearing on “The President’s New National Ocean Policy—A Plan for Further Restrictions on Ocean, Coastal and Inland Activities.”

October 27, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Gulf Coast Recovery: President Obama’s BP Compensation Fund, How Is It Working?”

November 2, 2011—Oversight hearing on “BOEMRE/U.S. Coast Guard Joint Investigation Team Report.” (Part 2)

November 16, 2011—Oversight hearing on “The Future of U.S. Oil and Natural Gas Development on Federal Lands and Waters.”

November 18, 2011—Oversight hearing on “ANWR: Jobs, Energy and Deficit Reduction.” (Part 2)

December 6, 2011—Oversight hearing on “The Endangered Species Act: How Litigation is Costing Jobs and Impeding True Recovery Efforts.”

February 15, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Department of the Interior Spending and the President’s Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Proposal.”

March 7, 2012—Oversight hearing on “The Council on Environmental Quality’s FY 2013 Funding Request and the Effects on NEPA, National Ocean Policy and Other Federal Environmental Policy Initiatives.”

March 21, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices: Families and Cost-of-Life Impacts.”

March 27, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices: Family Vacations and U.S. Tourism Industry.”

April 26, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Increased Electricity Costs for American Families and Small Businesses: The Potential Impacts of the Chu Memorandum.”

May 9, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Evaluating President Obama’s Offshore Drilling Plan and Impacts on Our Future.”

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES

I. LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. Legislative Hearings

April 6, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1229, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico; H.R. 1230, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1231, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to require

that each 5-year offshore oil and gas leasing program offer leasing in the areas with the most prospective oil and gas resources, to establish a domestic oil and natural gas production goal, and for other purposes.

June 3, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1314, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a global rare earth element assessment, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2011, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an assessment of the capability of the Nation to meet our current and future demands for the minerals critical to United States manufacturing competitiveness and economic and national security in a time of expanding resource nationalism, and for other purposes.

June 16, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 2150, to amend the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an expeditious program of competitive leasing of oil and gas in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska, including at least one lease sale in the Reserve each year in the period 2011 through 2021, and for other purposes.

June 23, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 2170, streamlining Federal review to facilitate renewable energy projects; H.R. 2171, to promote timely exploration for geothermal resources under existing geothermal leases, and for other purposes; H.R. 2172, to facilitate the development of wind energy resources on Federal lands; and H.R. 2173, to facilitate the development of offshore wind energy resources.

September 13, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 2360, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to extend the Constitution, laws, and jurisdiction of the United States to installations and devices attached to the seabed of the Outer Continental Shelf for the production and support of production of energy from sources other than oil and gas, and for other purposes; H.R. 2752, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct onshore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live lease sales, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2803, to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, to conduct a technological capability assessment, survey, and economic feasibility study regarding recovery of minerals, other than oil and natural gas, from the shallow and deep seabed of the United States.

September 15, 2011—Hearing held on (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to establish in the Department of the Interior an Under Secretary for Energy, Lands, and Minerals and a Bureau of Ocean Energy, an Ocean Energy Safety Service, and an Office of Natural Resources Revenue, and for other purposes.

November 18, 2011—Hearing held on (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, to provide fair and equitable revenue sharing for all coastal States, to formulate future offshore energy development plans in areas with the most potential, to generate revenue for American infrastructure, and for other purposes; (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish and implement a competitive oil and gas leasing program for the exploration, development, and production of the oil and gas resources of the Coastal Plain of Alaska, to ensure secure energy supplies for the continental Pacific Coast of the United States, lower prices, and

reduce imports, and for other purposes; (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to set clear rules for the development of United States oil shale resources, to promote shale technology research and development, and for other purposes; and (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977.

December 13, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 2512, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Clark County, Nevada, for the environmental remediation and reclamation of the Three Kids Mine Project Site, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3479, to reauthorize Federal natural hazards reduction programs, and for other purposes.

February 17, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 785, to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects.

April 26, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 1192, to extend the current royalty rate for soda ash; H.R. 2176, to dedicate a portion of the rental fees from wind and solar energy projects on Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management for the administrative costs of processing applications for new wind and solar projects, and for other purposes; H.R. 4381, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish goals for an all-of-the-above energy production plan strategy on a 4-year basis on all onshore Federal lands managed by the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service; H.R. 4382, to ensure Federal oil and natural gas lease sales occur, eliminate redundant leasing bureaucracy, and provide leasing certainty; H.R. 4383, to streamline the application for permits to drill process and increase funds for energy project permit processing, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4402, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to more efficiently develop domestic sources of the minerals and mineral materials of strategic and critical importance to United States economic and national security and manufacturing competitiveness.

May 3, 2012—Legislative field hearing held in Colorado Springs, Colorado, on H.R. 1620, to improve Federal land management, resource conservation, environmental protection, and use of Federal real property, by requiring the Secretary of the Interior to develop a multipurpose cadastre of Federal real property and identifying inaccurate, duplicate, and out-of-date Federal land inventories, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4233, to establish the National Geospatial Technology Administration within the United States Geological Survey to enhance the use of geospatial data, products, technology, and services, to increase the economy and efficiency of Federal geospatial activities, and for other purposes.

II. OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES

A. Oversight Hearings

March 9, 2011—Oversight hearing to “Examine the Spending Priorities and the Missions of the U.S. Geological Survey and the President’s FY 2012 Budget Proposal.”

April 5, 2011—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY–2012 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service’s Energy and Minerals Programs on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy and Minerals Production and Deficit Reduction.”

April 7, 2011—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY–2012 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Office of Surface Mining on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy Production, State Programs and Deficit Reduction.”

May 24, 2011—Oversight hearing on the “Strategic and Critical Minerals Policy: Domestic Minerals Supplies and Demands in a time of Foreign Supply Disruptions.”

June 2, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Domestic Oil and Natural Gas: Alaskan Resources, Access and Infrastructure.”

July 8, 2011—Joint oversight hearing with the Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry on “Challenges Facing Domestic Oil and Gas Development: Review of Bureau of Land Management/U.S. Forest Service Ban on Horizontal Drilling on Federal Lands”.

July 14, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Abandoned Mined Lands: Innovative Solutions for Restoring the Environment, Improving Safety and Creating Jobs.”

August 24, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Grand Junction, Colorado, on “American Jobs and Energy Security: Domestic Oil Shale the Status of Research, Regulation and Roadblocks.”

September 9, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Impacts to Onshore Jobs, Revenue, and Energy: Review and Status of Sec. 390 Categorical Exclusions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.”

September 26, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Charleston, West Virginia, entitled “Jobs at Risk: Community Impacts of the Obama Administration’s Effort to Rewrite the Stream Buffer Zone Rule.”

November 2, 2011—Oversight hearing on “North American Offshore Energy: Mexico and Canada Boundary Treaties and New Drilling by Cuba and Bahamas.”

November 4, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Jobs at Risk: Waste and Mismanagement by the Obama Administration in Rewriting the Stream Buffer Zone Rule.”

February 27, 2012—Oversight field hearing in Steubenville, Ohio, on “Natural Gas—America’s New Energy Opportunity: Creating Jobs, Energy and Community Growth.”

March 6, 2012—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY 2013 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Office of Surface Mining on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy Production, State Programs and Deficit Reduction.”

March 8, 2012—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY 2013 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) and Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy Production, Safety and Deficit Reduction.”

March 20, 2012—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY 2013 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service’s Energy and Minerals Programs on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy and Minerals Production and Deficit Reduction.”

March 22, 2012—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY 2013 Budget for the U.S. Geological Survey on Private Sector Job Creation, Hazard Protection, Mineral Resources and Deficit Reduction.”

May 2, 2012—Oversight field hearing in Denver, Colorado, on “Federal Regulation: Economic, Job and Energy Security Implications of Federal Hydraulic Fracturing Regulation.”

May 3, 2012—Oversight field hearing in Colorado Springs, Colorado, on “Federal Geospatial Spending, Duplication and Land Inventory Management.”

June 1, 2012—Oversight hearing on the “Obama Administration’s Actions Against the Spruce Coal Mine: Canceled Permits, Lawsuits and Lost Jobs.”

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FISHERIES, WILDLIFE, OCEANS AND INSULAR
AFFAIRS

I. LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. *Legislative Hearings*

April 7, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 258, to require the Office of Management and Budget to prepare a crosscut budget for restoration activities in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, to require the Environmental Protection Agency to develop and implement an adaptive management plan, and for other purposes; H.R. 306, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 588, to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge; and S. 266, a bill to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.

May 12, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 295, to amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998 to authorize funds to acquire hydrographic data and provide hydrographic services specific to the Arctic for safe navigation, delineating the United States extended continental shelf, and the monitoring and description of coastal changes; H.R. 670, to convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give that territory the same benefits in its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands; H.R. 991, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; H.R. 1160, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1670, to amend the Sikes Act to improve the application of that Act to State-owned facilities used for the national defense.

June 14, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 946, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to reduce predation on endangered Columbia River salmon, and for other purposes.

July 14, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 44, to implement the recommendations of the Guam War Claims Review Commission; and H.R. 1466, to resolve the status of certain persons legally residing

in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands under the immigration laws of the United States.

July 28, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 50, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act, the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, and the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997; H.R. 1760, to reauthorize the Great Ape Conservation Act, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1761, to reauthorize the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004, and for other purposes.

October 25, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 2027, to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Sachuest Point Unit RI-04P, Easton Beach Unit RI-05P, Almy Pond Unit RI-06, and Hazards Beach Unit RI-07 in Rhode Island; H.R. 2154, to correct the boundaries of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Gasparilla Island Unit FL-70P; H.R. 2236, to provide for the issuance of a Wildlife Refuge System Conservation Semipostal Stamp; H.R. 2714, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow the transport, purchase, and sale of pelts of, and handicrafts, garments, and art produced from, Southcentral and Southeast Alaska northern sea otters that are taken for subsistence purposes; H.R. 2719, to ensure public access to the summit of Rattlesnake Mountain in the Hanford Reach National Monument for educational, recreational, historical, scientific, cultural, and other purposes; H.R. 3009, to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to require that any new national wildlife refuge may not be established except as expressly authorized by statute; and H.R. 3117, to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes.

December 15, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1171, to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act; and S. 363, A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes.

March 29, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 1917, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to conduct a Joint Venture Program to protect, restore, enhance, and manage migratory bird populations, their habitats, and the ecosystems they rely on, through voluntary actions on public and private lands, and for other purposes; H.R. 1960, to extend the authorization of appropriations for allocation to carry out approved wetlands conservation projects under the North American Wetlands Conservation Act through fiscal year 2017; and H.R. 3074, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to delegate to States the authorities of the Secretary of the Interior under that Act with respect to cormorants, and for other purposes.

April 19, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 4043, to amend title 10, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Defense to establish Southern Sea Otter Military Readiness Areas for national defense purposes, and for other purposes.

May 8, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 3210, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to limit the application of that Act with respect to plants and plant products that were imported before the effective date of amendments to that Act enacted in 2008, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4171, to amend the Lacey Act Amend-

ments of 1981 to repeal certain provisions relating to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws, and for other purposes.

May 17, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 3065, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States; and H.R. 3706, to create the Office of Chief Financial Officer of the Government of the Virgin Islands, and for other purposes.

II. OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON FISHERIES, WILDLIFE, OCEANS AND INSULAR AFFAIRS

A. Oversight Hearings

March 2, 2011—Oversight hearing on “The Department of the Interior Spending for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Office of Insular Affairs and the President’s Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Request for the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Office of Insular Affairs.”

March 31, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Spending for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Marine Fisheries Service and the President’s Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Request for these Agencies.”

May 26, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Buying More Land When We Can’t Maintain What We Already Own: The National Wildlife Refuge System’s Operations and Maintenance Backlog Story!”

June 24, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Why We Should Care About Bats: Devastating Impact White-Nose Syndrome is Having on One of Nature’s Best Pest Controllers.”

June 27, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Shreveport, Louisiana, on “Giant Salvinia: How Do We Protect our Ecosystems?”

July 14, 2011—Oversight hearing on Implementation of Public Law 110–229 to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and Guam.

July 26, 2011—Oversight hearing on “NOAA’s Fishery Science: Is the Lack of Basic Science Costing Jobs?”

September 23, 2011—Oversight hearing to “Review the Impact of Minimum Wage Increases in American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.”

November 3, 2011—Oversight hearing entitled “Florida Everglades Restoration: What are the Priorities?”

December 15, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Harris Neck National Wildlife Refuge and How the Federal Government Obtained Title to This Land and Promises Made to the Original Landowners.”

February 17, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Fish and Wildlife Service’s Proposed Comprehensive Conservation Plan and its Potential Devastating Impact on the Economy of the Town of Chincoteague, Virginia.”

March 6, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Spending for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Office of Insular Affairs, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the President’s Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Request for these Agencies.”

March 22, 2012—Oversight hearing entitled “Empty Hooks: The National Ocean Policy is the Latest Threat to Access for Recreational and Commercial Fishermen.”

April 3, 2012—Oversight field hearing in Anchorage, Alaska, entitled “Alaska’s Sovereignty in Peril: The National Ocean Policy’s Goal to Federalize Alaska.”

SUBCOMMITTEE ON INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE AFFAIRS

I. LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. *Legislative Hearings*

April 5, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 887, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to submit a report on Indian land fractionation, and for other purposes.

May 26, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1408, to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and for other purposes.

June 22, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1158, to authorize the conveyance of mineral rights by the Secretary of the Interior in the State of Montana, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1560, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe.

July 12, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1291, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes, and for other purposes; H.R. 1234, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes; and H.R. 1421, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 to clarify the role of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma with regard to the maintenance of the W.D. Mayo Lock and Dam in Oklahoma.

September 22, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 443, to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska; H.R. 1461, to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights; H.R. 1556, to amend the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act to allow certain land to be used to generate income to provide funding for academic programs, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2444, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian tribes, and for other purposes.

October 4, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 2938, to prohibit certain gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona.

November 3, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 205, to amend the Act titled “An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases”, approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior; and H.R. 2362, to facilitate economic development by Indian tribes and encourage investment by Turkish enterprises.

January 25, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 2467, to take certain Federal lands in Mono County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Bridgeport Indian Colony; and S. 292, a bill to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and

to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

February 7, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 3532, to empower federally recognized Indian tribes to accept restricted fee tribal lands, and for other purposes.

February 15, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 3973, to facilitate the development of energy on Indian lands by reducing Federal regulations that impede tribal development of Indian lands, and for other purposes.

March 1, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 1272, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al., by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes.

March 20, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 4027, to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled “An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes”; and H.R. 4194, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide that Alexander Creek, Alaska, is and shall be recognized as an eligible Native village under that Act, and for other purposes.

II. OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE AFFAIRS

A. Oversight Hearings

March 8, 2011—Oversight hearing on “The Effectiveness of Federal Spending on Native American Programs, and on the President’s FY 2012 Budget Request for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians.”

April 1, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Tribal Development of Energy Resources and the Creation of Energy Jobs on Indian Lands.”

May 24, 2011—Joint oversight hearing with the Subcommittee on Water and Power on “Protecting Long-Term Tribal Energy Jobs and Keeping Arizona Water and Power Costs Affordable: The Current and Future Role of the Navajo Generating Station.”

March 6, 2012—Oversight hearing on the “Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Request of the Indian Health Service and of the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians.”

April 5, 2012—Oversight field hearing in Fairbanks, Alaska, entitled “Federal Laws and Policies Affecting Energy Prices in Rural Alaska and their Effects on Native Villages.”

April 19, 2012—Oversight hearing held on “Bureau of Land Management’s Hydraulic Fracturing Rule’s Impacts on Indian Tribal Energy.”

June 8, 2012—Oversight hearing held on the “Federal Communications Commission’s Rule on the Universal Service Fund and its Impact on American Indians and Alaska Natives.”

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS, FORESTS AND PUBLIC LANDS

I. LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. Legislative Hearings

May 4, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 241, to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California; H.R. 290, to amend title 36, United States Code, to ensure that memorials commemorating the service of the United States Armed Forces may contain religious symbols, and for other purposes; H.R. 320, to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California; H.R. 441, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for a microhydro project in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes; H.R. 643, to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; H.R. 686, to require the conveyance of certain public land within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, to support the training and readiness of the Utah National Guard; H.R. 765, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other purposes; H.R. 850, to facilitate a proposed project in the Lower St. Croix Wild and Scenic River, and for other purposes; H.R. 944, to eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by incorporating the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, into the California Coastal National Monument managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands, and for other purposes; H.R. 1022, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1141, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating prehistoric, historic, and limestone forest sites on Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as a unit of the National Park System.

June 14, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 473, to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes; H.R. 869, to clarify the definition of flood control operations for the purposes of the operation and maintenance of Project No. 2179 on the Lower Merced River; H.R. 1258, to provide for the conveyance of parcels of land to Mantua, Box Elder County, Utah; H.R. 1545, to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, and for other purposes; H.R. 1740, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; and H.R. 1904, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources in southeast Arizona by authorizing and direct-

ing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes.

July 8, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 587, to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service opportunities for young Americans; help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational and scenic resources; train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts; and promote the value of public service; and H.R. 1505, to prohibit the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture from taking action on public lands which impede border security on such lands, and for other purposes.

July 26, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1581, to release wilderness study areas administered by the Bureau of Land Management that are not suitable for wilderness designation from continued management as defacto wilderness areas and to release inventoried roadless areas within the National Forest System that are not recommended for wilderness designation from the land use restrictions of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Final Rule and the 2005 State Petitions for Inventoried Roadless Area Management Final Rule, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2578, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act related to a segment of the Lower Merced River in California, and for other purposes.

September 9, 2011—Hearing held on (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes; H.R. 1444, to require that hunting activities be a land use in all management plans for Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture to the extent that such use is not clearly incompatible with the purposes for which the Federal land is managed, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2834, to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public lands and ensure continued opportunities for these activities.

September 13, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 302, to provide for State approval of national monuments, and for other purposes; H.R. 758, to amend the Act popularly known as the Antiquities Act of 1906 to require certain procedures for designating national monuments, and for other purposes; H.R. 817, to amend the Antiquities Act of 1906 to place additional requirements on the establishment of national monuments under that Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 845, to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Montana, except by express authorization of Congress, and for other purposes; H.R. 846, to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Idaho, except by express authorization of Congress, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2147, to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Utah except by express authorization of Congress.

September 15, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1162, to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes; H.R. 2087, to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia; H.R. 2336, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate seg-

ments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 2351, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area; H.R. 2352, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundary of the Stephen Mather Wilderness and the North Cascades National Park in order to allow the rebuilding of a road outside of the floodplain while ensuring that there is no net loss of acreage to the Park or the Wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 2606, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2687, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument, and for other purposes.

September 22, 2011—Hearing held on (Draft Bill), H.R. _____, to increase employment and educational opportunities in, and improve the economic stability of, counties containing Federal forest lands, while also reducing the cost of managing such lands, by providing such counties a dependable source of revenue from such lands; and H.R. 2852, to authorize Western States to make selections of public land within their borders in lieu of receiving 5 percent of the proceeds of the sale of public land lying within said States provided by their respective enabling Acts.

October 4, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 854, to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes; H.R. 1335, to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, and H.R. 2563, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance.

October 25, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 41, to designate certain Federal lands in San Diego County, California, as wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 113, to provide for additions to the Cucamonga and Sheep Mountain Wilderness Areas in the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests and the protection of existing property rights in such additions, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to take steps to prevent and prepare for wildfires in the Cucamonga, Sheep Mountain, and San Gabriel Wilderness Areas and address the backlog of maintenance in the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests, and for other purposes; H.R. 490, to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the Manzano Mountain Wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 608, to expand the Alpine Lakes Wilderness in the State of Washington, to designate the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and Pratt River as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purposes; H.R. 977, to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, and for other purposes; H.R. 1126, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to sell certain Federal lands in Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, and Wyoming, previously identified as suitable for dis-

posal, and for other purposes; H.R. 1413, to provide for the designation of the Devil's Staircase Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to designate segments of Wasson and Franklin Creeks in the State of Oregon as wild or recreation rivers, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2050, to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes.

November 3, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1980, to authorize the Gold Star Mothers National Monument Foundation to establish a national monument in the District of Columbia; H.R. 2070, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day; H.R. 2621, to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3155, to preserve the multiple use land management policy in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes.

December 2, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1038, to authorize the conveyance of two small parcels of land within the boundaries of the Coconino National Forest containing private improvements that were developed based upon the reliance of the landowners in an erroneous survey conducted in May 1960; H.R. 1237, to provide for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving the transfer of land to the Bureau of Land Management and the Six Rivers National Forest in exchange for National Forest System land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, and for other purposes; H.R. 2157, to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Inyo National Forest, and for other purposes; H.R. 2490, to amend the National Trails System Act to provide for a study of the Cascadia Marine Trail; H.R. 2504, to establish Coltsville National Historical Park in the State of Connecticut, and for other purposes; H.R. 2745, to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada; H.R. 2947, to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota; H.R. 3222, to designate certain National Park System land in Olympic National Park as wilderness or potential wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 3452, to provide for the sale of approximately 30 acres of Federal land in Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Salt Lake County, Utah, to permit the establishment of a minimally invasive transportation alternative for skiers, called "SkiLink", to connect two ski resorts in the Wasatch Mountains, and for other purposes; and S. 684, a bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah.

January 24, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 919, to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Mohave Valley, Mohave County, Arizona, administered by the Bureau of Land Management to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, for use as a public shooting range; H.R. 938, to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I and to designate me-

monials to the service of men and women of the United States in World War I; H.R. 1278, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study regarding the suitability and feasibility of designating the John Hope Franklin Reconciliation Park and other sites in Tulsa, Oklahoma, relating to the 1921 Tulsa race riot as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; H.R. 2240, to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes; H.R. 2489, to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program; H.R. 3411, to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior; and H.R. 3440, to provide for certain oversight and approval on any decisions to close National Monument land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management to recreational shooting, and for other purposes.

February 3, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 491, to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the national forest, and for other purposes; H.R. 3685, to amend the Herger-Feinstein Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery Act to extend and expand the scope of the pilot forest management project required by that Act; and S. 271, a bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and for other purposes.

March 8, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 752, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Molalla River in the State of Oregon, as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; H.R. 1415, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to make technical corrections to the segment designations for the Chetco River, Oregon; H.R. 3377, to designate the Pine Forest Range Wilderness area in Humboldt County, Nevada; H.R. 3436, to expand the Wild Rogue Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to make additional wild and scenic river designations in the Rogue River area, and to provide additional protections for Rogue River tributaries, and for other purposes.

March 29, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 1241, to establish the Rio Grande del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes; H.R. 1818, to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence, and for other purposes; H.R. 2984, to designate certain Federal lands within the Cross Island National Wildlife Refuge and the Petit Manan National Wildlife Refuge, part of the Maine Coastal Islands National Wildlife Refuge Complex, in Lincoln County, Hancock County, and Washington County, Maine, as wilderness; and H.R. 4234, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to improve the management of grazing leases and permits, and for other purposes.

April 17, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 3388, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Beaver, Chipuxet, Queen, Wood, and Pawcatuck Rivers in the States of Connecticut and Rhode Island for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes; H.R. 3874, to provide for the conveyance of eight cemeteries

that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota; H.R. 4039, to convey certain Federal land to the city of Yerington, Nevada; H.R. 4073, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875; H.R. 4193, to provide that there shall be no net increase in the acres of certain Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or the Forest Service unless the Federal budget is balanced for the year in which the land would be purchased; and H.R. 4222, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes.

April 27, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 4094, to authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access in Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, and for other purposes.

May 17, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 1103, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to develop, maintain, and administer an annex in Tinian, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as an extension of the American Memorial Park located in Saipan, and for other purposes; H.R. 3100, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to expand the boundary of the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park, to conduct a study of potential land acquisitions, and for other purposes; H.R. 3365, to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 4400, to designate the Salt Pond Visitor Center at Cape Cod National Seashore as the “Thomas P. O’Neill, Jr. Salt Pond Visitor Center”, and for other purposes; and S. 270, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon.

June 8, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 3641, to establish Pinnacles National Park in the State of California as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; H.R. 3894, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Pullman Historic Site in Chicago, Illinois, and for other purposes; H.R. 4606, to authorize the issuance of right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines in Glacier National Park, and for other purpose; H.R. 5544, to authorize and expedite a land exchange involving National Forest System land in the Laurentian District of the Superior National Forest and certain other National Forest System land in the State of Minnesota that has limited recreational and conservation resources and lands owned by the State of Minnesota in trust for the public school system that are largely scattered in checkerboard fashion within the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness and have important recreational, scenic, and conservation resources, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5791, to provide for reasonable and necessary access to Wilderness Areas for the restoration of water sources, supplies, or infrastructure during a state of emergency declared by the Governor of a State.

II. OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL
PARKS, FORESTS AND PUBLIC LANDS

A. *Oversight Hearings*

March 8, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Examining the Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service and the President’s FY 2012 Budget Proposal.”

March 10, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Examining the Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the National Park Service and the President’s FY 2012 Budget Proposal.”

April 15, 2011—Joint oversight hearing with the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense, and Foreign Operations on “The Border: Are Environmental Laws and Regulation Impeding Security and Harming the Environment?”

June 22, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Opportunities for Outdoor Recreation on Public Lands.”

July 10, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Hill City, South Dakota, on “Impact of the Mountain Pine Beetle Epidemic in the Black Hills”.

July 14, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Secure Rural Schools Reauthorization and Forest Management Options for a Viable County Payments Program.”

September 19, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Sacramento, California, on “Restoring Public Access to the Public’s Lands: Issues Impacting Multiple-use on Our National Forests.”

October 14, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Payments in Lieu of Taxes.”

November 15, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Forest Service Regulatory Roadblocks to Productive Land Use and Recreation: Proposed Planning Rule, Special-use Permits, and Travel Management.”

February 28, 2012—Oversight hearing on “FY 2013 Budget Requests from the National Park Service and the Bureau of Land Management.”

March 12, 2012—Oversight field hearing in Elko, Nevada, on “Explosion of Federal Regulations Threatening Jobs and Economic Survival in the West.”

March 20, 2012—Oversight hearing on the “Proposed Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial.”

April 27, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Access Denied: Turning Away Visitors in National Parks.”

May 14, 2012—Joint oversight field hearing with the Subcommittee on Water and Power in Montrose, Colorado, on “Logs in the Road: Eliminating Federal Red Tape and Excessive Litigation to Create Healthy Forests, Jobs and Abundant Water and Power Supplies.”

May 21, 2012—Oversight field hearing in Longview, Washington, on “Failed Federal Forest Policies: Endangering Jobs, Forests and Species.”

June 1, 2012—Oversight hearing on the “Future of the National Mall.”

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

I. LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. Legislative Hearings

May 12, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 470, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and for other purposes; H.R. 489, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, and for other purposes; and H.R. 818, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District.

June 2, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1837, to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes. (Part 1)

June 13, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1837, to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes. (Part 2)

June 23, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 461, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes; H.R. 795, to expand small-scale hydro-power; and H.R. 2060, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes.

September 14, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 200, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the Rialto-Colton Basin in the State of California, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2842, to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes.

September 22, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 1719, to better inform consumers regarding costs associated with compliance for protecting endangered and threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; and H.R. 2915, to repeal the Western Area Power Administration borrowing authority, and for other purposes.

December 2, 2011—Hearing held on H.R. 976, to terminate certain hydropower reservations, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3263, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

April 17, 2012—Hearing held on H.R. 460, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project; and H.R. 2664, to reauthorize the Water Desalination Act of 1996, and for other purposes.

June 6, 2012—Hearing held on (Draft Bill), H.R. _____, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and water users, and for other purposes; and S. 997, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District.

II. OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND
POWER

A. *Oversight Hearings*

March 2, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Examining the Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S. Geological Survey’s Water Resources Program.”

March 15, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Examining the Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the Bonneville Power Administration, the Western Area Power Administration, the Southwestern Power Administration, and the Southeastern Power Administration.”

April 5, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Creating Abundant Water and Power Supplies and Job Growth by Restoring Common Sense to Federal Regulations.”

April 11, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Fresno, California, on “Creating Jobs by Overcoming Man-Made Drought: Time for Congress to Listen and Act.”

May 4, 2011—Oversight hearing on “Protecting Federal Hydropower Investments in the West: A Stakeholder’s Perspective.”

May 24, 2011—Joint oversight hearing with the Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs on “Protecting Long-Term Tribal Energy Jobs and Keeping Arizona Water and Power Costs Affordable: The Current and Future Role of the Navajo Generating Station.”

October 18, 2011—Oversight field hearing in Highland, California on “Questionable Fish Science and Environmental Lawsuits: Jobs and Water Supplies At Risk in The Inland Empire.”

February 7, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Water for Our Future and Job Creation: Examining Regulatory and Bureaucratic Barriers to New Surface Storage Infrastructure.”

March 20, 2012—Oversight hearing on “Examining the Proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the Bureau of Reclamation, the U.S. Geological Survey’s Water Resources program and the Four Power Marketing Administrations.”

May 14, 2012—Joint oversight field hearing with the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands in Montrose, Colorado, on “Logs in the Road: Eliminating Federal Red Tape and Excessive Litigation to Create Healthy Forests, Jobs and Abundant Water and Power Supplies.”

June 4, 2012—Oversight field hearing in Phoenix, Arizona, on “Evaporating Prosperity: How Federal Actions Are Driving Up Water and Power Costs, Threatening Jobs and Leaving Arizonans High and Dry.”

APPENDIX I

PRINTED HEARINGS

112-1—Oversight hearing on the Final Report from The President's National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Spill and Offshore Drilling. January 26, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-2—Oversight hearing entitled "The Impact of the Administration's Wild Lands Order on Jobs and Economic Growth." March 1, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-3—Oversight hearing on the Department of the Interior Spending for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Office of Insular Affairs and the President's Fiscal Year 2012 budget request for the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Office of Insular Affairs. March 2, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-4—Oversight hearing entitled "Examining the Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S. Geological Survey's Water Resources Program." March 2, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-5—Oversight hearing entitled "Department of the Interior Spending and the President's Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Proposal." March 3, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-6—Oversight hearing on "The Effectiveness of Federal Spending on Native American Programs, and on the President's FY 2012 Budget Request for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians." March 8, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-7—Oversight hearing entitled "Examining the Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service and the President's FY 2012 Budget Proposal." March 8, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-8—Oversight hearing to "Examine the Spending Priorities and the Missions of the U.S. Geological Survey and the President's FY 2012 Budget Proposal." March 9, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-9—Oversight hearing entitled "Examining the Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the National Park Service and the President's FY 2012 Budget Proposal." March 10, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-10—Oversight hearing on "Examining the Spending, Priorities and the Missions of the Bonneville Power Administration, the Western Area Power Administration, the Southwestern Power Ad-

ministration, and the Southeastern Power Administration.” March 15, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-11—Oversight hearing on the “Obama Administration’s De Facto Moratorium in the Gulf: State, Community and Economic Impacts.” March 16, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-12—Oversight hearing on “Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices: Domestic Resources and Economic Impacts.” March 17, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-13—Oversight hearing on “Examining the Spending Priorities and the Missions of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE), and the President’s FY 2012 Budget Proposal.” March 30, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-14—Oversight hearing on “Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices: Impacts on Businesses and Families.” March 31, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-15—Oversight hearing on “Spending for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Marine Fisheries Service and the President’s Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Request for these Agencies.” March 31, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-16—Oversight hearing entitled “Tribal Development of Energy Resources and the Creation of Energy Jobs on Indian Lands.” April 1, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-17—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY 2012 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service’s Energy and Minerals Programs on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy and Minerals Production and Deficit Reduction.” April 5, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-18—Hearing on H.R. 887, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to submit a report on Indian land fractionation, and for other purposes. April 5, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-19—Oversight hearing on “Creating Abundant Water and Power Supplies and Job Growth by Restoring Common Sense to Federal Regulations.” April 5, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-20—Hearing on H.R. 1229, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico; H.R. 1230, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1231, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes. April 6, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-21—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY 2012 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Office of Surface Mining on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy Production, State Programs and Deficit Reduction.” April 7, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-22—Hearing on H.R. 258, to require the Office of Management and Budget to prepare a crosscut budget for restoration activities in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, to require the Environmental Protection Agency to develop and implement an adaptive management plan, and for other purposes; H.R. 306, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement with the Corolla Wild Horse Fund, Currituck County, and the State of North Carolina to provide for the management of free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 588, to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge; and S. 266, a bill to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge. April 7, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-23—Oversight field hearing in Fresno, California, entitled “Creating Jobs by Overcoming Man-made Drought: Time for Congress to Listen and Act.” April 11, 2011, Fresno, California. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-24—Joint oversight hearing entitled “The Border: Are Environmental Laws and Regulation Impeding Security and Harming the Environment?” April 15, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands with the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Homeland Defense, and Foreign Operations)

112-25—Oversight field hearing in Houma, Louisiana, entitled “Gulf of Mexico: A Focus on Community Recovery and New Response Technology.” April 18, 2011, Houma, Louisiana. (Full Committee)

112-26—Joint oversight hearing on Federal Endangered Species Act consultations on pesticides registered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act entitled “At Risk: American Jobs, Agriculture, Health and Species—The Costs of Federal Regulatory Dysfunction.” May 3, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Committee on Natural Resources with the Committee on Agriculture)

112-27—Oversight hearing on “Protecting Federal Hydropower Investments in the West: A Stakeholders’ Perspective.” May 4, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-28—Hearing on H.R. 241, to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California; H.R. 290, to amend title 36, United States Code, to ensure that memorials commemorating the service of the United States Armed Forces may contain religious symbols, and for other purposes; H.R. 320, to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California; H.R. 441, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for a microhydro project in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes; H.R. 643, to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; H.R. 686, to require the conveyance of certain public land within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, to support the training and readiness of the

Utah National Guard; H.R. 765, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other purposes; H.R. 850, to facilitate a proposed project in the Lower St. Croix Wild and Scenic River, and for other purposes; H.R. 944, to eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by incorporating the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, into the California Coastal National Monument managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands, and for other purposes; H.R. 1022, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1141, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating prehistoric, historic, and limestone forest sites on Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as a unit of the National Park System. May 4, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-29—Hearing on H.R. 470, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and for other purposes; H.R. 489, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, and for other purposes; and H.R. 818, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District. May 12, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-30—Hearing on H.R. 295, to amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998 to authorize funds to acquire hydrographic data and provide hydrographic services specific to the Arctic for safe navigation, delineating the United States extended continental shelf, and the monitoring and description of coastal changes; H.R. 670, to convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give that territory the same benefits in its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands; H.R. 991, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; H.R. 1160, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1670, to amend the Sikes Act to improve the application of that Act to State-owned facilities used for the national defense. May 12, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-31—Oversight hearing on the “American Energy Initiative: Identifying Roadblocks to Wind and Solar Energy on Public Lands and Waters, Part 1—Department of the Interior Officials.” May 13, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-32—Joint oversight hearing on “Protecting Long-Term Tribal Energy Jobs and Keeping Arizona Water and Power Costs Affordable: The Current and Future Role of the Navajo Generating Station.” May 24, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power, and Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-33—Oversight hearing on the “Strategic and Critical Minerals Policy: Domestic Minerals Supplies and Demands in a time of Foreign Supply Disruptions.” May 24, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-34—Oversight hearing on “Harnessing American Resources to Create Jobs and Address Rising Gasoline Prices: Impacts on Seniors, Working Families and Memorial Day Vacations.” May 25, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-35—Oversight hearing on “Buying More Land When We Can’t Maintain What We Already Own: The National Wildlife Refuge System’s Operations and Maintenance Backlog Story!” May 26, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-36—Hearing on H.R. 1408, to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and for other purposes. May 26, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-37—Oversight hearing on the “American Energy Initiative: Identifying Roadblocks to Wind and Solar Energy on Public Lands and Waters, Part 2—The Wind and Solar Industry Perspective.” June 1, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-38—Oversight hearing on “Domestic Oil and Natural Gas: Alaskan Resources, Access and Infrastructure.” June 2, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-39—Hearing on H.R. 1314, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a global rare earth element assessment, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2011, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an assessment of the capability of the Nation to meet our current and future demands for the minerals critical to United States manufacturing competitiveness and economic and national security in a time of expanding resource nationalism, and for other purposes. June 3, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-40—Hearing on H.R. 473, to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes; H.R. 869, to clarify the definition of flood control operations for the purposes of the operation and maintenance of Project No. 2179 on the Lower Merced River; H.R. 1258, to provide for the conveyance of parcels of land to Mantua, Box Elder County, Utah; H.R. 1545, to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, and for other purposes; H.R. 1740, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; and H.R. 1904, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources in southeast Arizona by authorizing and directing an ex-

change of Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes. June 14, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-41—Hearing on H.R. 946, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to reduce predation on endangered Columbia River salmon, and for other purposes. June 14, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-42—Hearing on H.R. 2150, to amend the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an expeditious program of competitive leasing of oil and gas in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska, including at least one lease sale in the Reserve each year in the period 2011 through 2021, and for other purposes. June 16, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-43—Hearing on H.R. 1158, to authorize the conveyance of mineral rights by the Secretary of the Interior in the State of Montana, and for other purposes; and H.R. 1560, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe. June 22, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Native Alaska Affairs)

112-44—Oversight hearing on “Opportunities for Outdoor Recreation on Public Lands.” June 22, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-45—Hearing on H.R. 2170, streamlining Federal review to facilitate renewable energy projects; H.R. 2171, to promote timely exploration for geothermal resources under existing geothermal leases, and for other purposes; H.R. 2172, to facilitate the development of wind energy resources on Federal lands; and H.R. 2173, to facilitate the development of offshore wind energy resources. June 23, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-46—Oversight hearing on “Why We Should Care About Bats: Devastating Impact White-nose Syndrome is Having on One of Nature’s Best Pest Controllers.” June 24, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-47—Oversight field hearing in Shreveport, Louisiana, on “Giant Salvinia: How Do We Protect Our Ecosystems.” June 27, 2011, Shreveport, Louisiana. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-48—Hearing on H.R. 1234, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes; H.R. 1291, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes, and for other purposes.; and H.R. 1421, to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 to clarify the role of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma with regard to the maintenance of the W.D. Mayo Lock and Dam in Oklahoma. July 12, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-49—Oversight hearing on “Implementation of Public Law 110-229 to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

and Guam”; and Legislative hearing on H.R. 44, to implement the recommendations of the Guam War Claims Review Commission; and H.R. 1466, to resolve the status of certain persons legally residing in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands under the immigration laws of the United States. July 14, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-50—Oversight hearing on “Secure Rural Schools Reauthorization and Forest Management Options for a Viable County Payments Program.” July 14, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-51—Oversight hearing on “Abandoned Mined Lands: Innovative Solutions for Restoring the Environment, Improving Safety and Creating Jobs”. July 14, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-52—Oversight hearing entitled “NOAA’s Fishery Science: Is the Lack of Basic Science Costing Jobs?” July 26, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-53—Hearing on H.R. 1581, to release wilderness study areas administered by the Bureau of Land Management that are not suitable for wilderness designation from continued management as defacto wilderness areas and to release inventoried roadless areas within the National Forest System that are not recommended for wilderness designation from the land use restrictions of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Final Rule and the 2005 State Petitions for Inventoried Roadless Area Management Final Rule, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2578, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act related to a segment of the Lower Merced River in California, and for other purposes. July 26, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-54—Oversight hearing entitled “State Perspectives on Off-shore Revenue Sharing.” July 27, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-55—Hearing on H.R. 50, authorizes appropriations to carry out the African Elephant Conservation Act of 1988, the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994, and the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997 for FY2012–FY2016; H.R. 1760, to reauthorize the Great Ape Conservation Act, and for other purposes. “Great Ape Conservation Reauthorization Amendments Act”; and H.R. 1761, to reauthorize the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004, and for other purposes. July 28, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-56—Oversight field hearing in Grand Junction, Colorado, on “American Jobs and Energy Security: Domestic Oil Shale The Status of Research, Regulation and Roadblocks.” August 24, 2011, Grand Junction, Colorado. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-57—Hearing on (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to modify the Forest Service Recreation Residence Program by implementing a simple, equitable, and predictable procedure for determining cabin user fees, and for other purposes; H.R. 1444, to require that hunting activities be a land use in all management plans for Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior or the Sec-

retary of Agriculture to the extent that such use is not clearly incompatible with the purposes for which the Federal land is managed, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2834, to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public lands and ensure continued opportunities for these activities. September 9, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-58—Oversight hearing on the “Impacts to Onshore Jobs, Revenue, and Energy: Review and Status of Sec. 390 Categorical Exclusions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.” September 9, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-59—Hearing on H.R. 302, to provide for State approval of national monuments, and for other purposes; H.R. 758, to amend the Act popularly known as the Antiquities Act of 1906 to require certain procedures for designating national monuments, and for other purposes; H.R. 817, to amend the Antiquities Act of 1906 to place additional requirements on the establishment of national monuments under that Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 845, to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Montana, except by express authorization of Congress, and for other purposes; H.R. 846, to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Idaho, except by express authorization of Congress, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2147, to prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Utah except by express authorization of Congress. September 13, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-60—Hearing on H.R. 200, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the Rialto-Colton Basin in the State of California, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2842, to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes. September 14, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-61—Hearing on (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to establish in the Department of the Interior an Under Secretary for Energy, Lands, and Minerals and a Bureau of Ocean Energy, an Ocean Energy Safety Service, and an Office of Natural Resources Revenue, and for other purposes. September 15, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-62—Oversight hearing on “ANWR: Jobs, Energy and Deficit Reduction.” September 21, 2011 (Part 1); and November 18, 2011 (Part 2), Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-63—Hearing on (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to increase employment and educational opportunities in, and improve the economic stability of, counties containing Federal forest lands, while also reducing the cost of managing such lands, by providing such counties a dependable source of revenue from such lands; and H.R. 2852, to authorize Western States to make selections of public land within their borders in lieu of receiving 5 percent of the proceeds of the sale of public land lying within said States as provided by their respective enabling Acts. September 22, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-64—Hearing on H.R. 1719, to better inform consumers regarding costs associated with compliance for protecting endangered and threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; and H.R. 2915, to repeal the Western Area Power Administration borrowing authority, and for other purposes. September 22, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-65—Oversight hearing on “The Impact of Minimum Wage Increases in American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.” September 23, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-66—Oversight field hearing in Charleston, West Virginia, on “Jobs at Risk: Community Impacts of the Obama Administration’s Effort to Rewrite the Stream Buffer Zone Rule.” September 26, 2011, Charleston, West Virginia. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-67—Hearing on H.R. 2938, to prohibit certain gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona. October 4, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-68—Oversight hearing entitled “The President’s New National Ocean Policy—A Plan for Further Restrictions on Ocean, Coastal and Inland Activities.” October 4, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-69—Oversight hearing entitled “One Year after President Obama’s Gulf of Mexico 6-month Moratorium Officially Lifted: Examining the Lingering Impacts on Jobs, Energy Production and Local Economies.” October 12, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-70—Oversight hearing entitled “BOEMRE/U.S. Coast Guard Joint Investigation Team Report.” October 13, 2011 (Part 1); and November 2, 2011 (Part 2), Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-71—Oversight hearing on “Payments in Lieu of Taxes.” October 14, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-72—Oversight field hearing in Seattle, Washington, entitled “NOAA’s Steller Sea Lion Science and Fishery Management Restrictions—Does the Science Support the Decisions?” October 17, 2011, Seattle, Washington. (Full Committee)

112-73—Oversight field hearing in Highland, California, entitled “Questionable Fish Science and Environmental Lawsuits: Jobs and Water Supplies At Risk in The Inland Empire.” October 18, 2011, Highland, California. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-74—Hearing on H.R. 2027, to revise the boundaries of John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Sachuest Point Unit RI-04P, Easton Beach Unit RI-05P, Almy Pond Unit RI-06, and Hazards Beach Unit RI-07 in Rhode Island; H.R. 2154, to correct the boundaries of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System Gasparilla Island Unit FL-70P; H.R. 2236, to provide for the issuance of a Wildlife Refuge System Conservation Semipostal Stamp; H.R. 2714, to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow the transport, purchase, and sale of pelts of, and handicrafts, garments, and art produced from, Southcentral and Southeast Alaska northern sea otters that are taken for subsistence purposes; H.R. 2719, to ensure public access to the summit of Rattlesnake Mountain in the Hanford Reach National Monument

for educational, recreational, historical, scientific, cultural, and other purposes; H.R. 3009, to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to require that any new national wildlife refuge may not be established except as expressly authorized by statute; and H.R. 3117, to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes. October 25, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Oceans, Wildlife and Insular Affairs)

112-75—Hearing on H.R. 41, to designate certain Federal lands in San Diego County, California, as wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 113, to provide for additions to the Cucamonga and Sheep Mountain Wilderness Areas in the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests and the protection of existing property rights in such additions, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to take steps to prevent and prepare for wildfires in the Cucamonga, Sheep Mountain, and San Gabriel Wilderness Areas and address the backlog of maintenance in the Angeles and San Bernardino National Forests, and for other purposes; H.R. 490, to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the Manzano Mountain Wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 608, to expand the Alpine Lakes Wilderness in the State of Washington, to designate the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and Pratt River as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purposes; H.R. 977, to designate as wilderness certain land and inland water within the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the State of Michigan, and for other purposes; H.R. 1126, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to sell certain Federal lands in Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, and Wyoming, previously identified as suitable for disposal, and for other purposes; H.R. 1413, to provide for the designation of the Devil's Staircase Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to designate segments of Wasson and Franklin Creeks in the State of Oregon as wild or recreation rivers, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2050, to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes. October 25, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-76—Oversight hearing on “The President’s New National Ocean Policy—A Plan for Further Restrictions on Ocean, Coastal and Inland Activities.” October 26, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee) (*Second hearing*)

112-77—Oversight hearing entitled “Gulf Coast Recovery: President Obama’s BP Compensation Fund, How Is It Working?” October 27, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-78—Oversight hearing on “North American Offshore Energy: Mexico and Canada Boundary Treaties and New Drilling by Cuba and Bahamas.” November 2, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-79—Oversight hearing entitled “Florida Everglades Restoration: What are the Priorities?” November 3, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-80—Hearing on H.R. 205, to amend the Act titled “An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases”, approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior; and H.R. 2362, to facilitate economic development by Indian tribes and encourage investment by Turkish enterprises. November 3, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-81—Hearing on H.R. 1980, to authorize the Gold Star Mothers National Monument Foundation to establish a national monument in the District of Columbia; H.R. 2070, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day; H.R. 2621, to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3155, to preserve the multiple use land management policy in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes. November 3, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-82—Oversight hearing entitled “Jobs at Risk: Waste and Mismanagement by the Obama Administration in Rewriting the Stream Buffer Zone Rule.” November 4, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-83—Oversight hearing on “Forest Service Regulatory Roadblocks to Productive Land Use and Recreation: Proposed Planning Rule, Special-Use Permits, and Travel Management.” November 15, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-84—Oversight hearing entitled “The Future of U.S. Oil and Natural Gas Development on Federal Lands and Waters.” November 16, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-85—Hearing on (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, to provide fair and equitable revenue sharing for all coastal States, to formulate future offshore energy development plans in areas with the most potential, to generate revenue for American infrastructure, and for other purposes; (Draft bill) H.R. _____, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish and implement a competitive oil and gas leasing program for the exploration, development, and production of the oil and gas resources of the Coastal Plain of Alaska, to ensure secure energy supplies for the continental Pacific Coast of the United States, lower prices, and reduce imports, and for other purposes; (Draft bill) H.R. _____, to set clear rules for the development of United States oil shale resources, to promote shale technology research and development, and for other purposes; and (Draft Bill) H.R. _____, to limit the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations before December 31, 2013, under the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation

Act of 1977. November 18, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112–86—Hearing on H.R. 594, to promote jobs creation, promote sustainable fisheries and fishing communities, revitalize waterfronts, and for other purposes; H.R. 1013, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide the New England Fishery Management Council additional resources to address research and monitoring priorities established by the Council; H.R. 1646, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to preserve jobs and coastal communities through transparency and accountability in fishery management, and for other purposes; H.R. 2304, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act of 2006 to provide the necessary scientific information to properly implement annual catch limits, and for other purposes; H.R. 2610, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to reform procedures for the payment of funds from the asset forfeiture fund, and for other purposes; H.R. 2753, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to provide Internet access to Regional Fishery Management Council meetings and meeting records, and for other purposes; H.R. 2772, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to permit eligible fishermen to approve certain limited access privilege programs, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3061, to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to extend the authorized time period for rebuilding of certain overfished fisheries, and for other purposes. December 1, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112–87—Hearing on H.R. 1038, to authorize the conveyance of two small parcels of land within the boundaries of the Coconino National Forest containing private improvements that were developed based upon the reliance of the landowners in an erroneous survey conducted in May 1960; H.R. 1237, to provide for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving the transfer of land to the Bureau of Land Management and the Six Rivers National Forest in exchange for National Forest System land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, and for other purposes; H.R. 2157, to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Inyo National Forest, and for other purposes; H.R. 2490, to amend the National Trails System Act to provide for a study of the Cascadia Marine Trail; H.R. 2504, to establish Coltsville National Historical Park in the State of Connecticut, and for other purposes; H.R. 2745, to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada; H.R. 2947, to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota; H.R. 3222, to designate certain National Park System land in Olympic National Park as wilderness or potential wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 3452, to provide for the sale of approximately 30 acres of Federal land in Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Salt Lake County, Utah, to permit the establishment of a minimally invasive transportation

alternative for skiers, called ‘SkiLink’, to connect two ski resorts in the Wasatch Mountains, and for other purposes; and S. 684, a bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah. December 2, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands)

112–88—Oversight hearing entitled “The Endangered Species Act: How Litigation is Costing Jobs and Impeding True Recovery Efforts.” December 6, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112–89—Oversight hearing on the “Harris Neck National Wildlife Refuge and How the Federal Government Obtained Title to This Land and Promises Made to the Original Landowners”; and Legislative hearing on H.R. 1171, to reauthorize and amend the Marine Debris Research, Prevention, and Reduction Act; and S. 363, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes. December 15, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112–90—Joint oversight hearing on the “Challenges Facing Domestic Oil and Gas Development: Review of Bureau of Land Management/U.S. Forest Service Ban on Horizontal Drilling on Federal Lands.” July 8, 2011, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources with the Committee on Agriculture)

112–91—Hearing on H.R. 919, to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Mohave Valley, Mohave County, Arizona, administered by the Bureau of Land Management to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, for use as a public shooting range; H.R. 938, to establish a commission to ensure a suitable observance of the centennial of World War I and to designate memorials to the service of men and women of the United States in World War I; H.R. 1278, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study regarding the suitability and feasibility of designating the John Hope Franklin Reconciliation Park and other sites in Tulsa, Oklahoma, relating to the 1921 Tulsa race riot as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; H.R. 2240, to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes; H.R. 2489, to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program; H.R. 3411, to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior; and H.R. 3440, to provide for certain oversight and approval on any decisions to close National Monument land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management to recreational shooting, and for other purposes. January 24, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112–92—Oversight hearing on “Water for Our Future and Job Creation: Examining Regulatory and Bureaucratic Barriers to New Surface Storage Infrastructure.” February 7, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112–93—Oversight hearing on “Department of the Interior Spending and the President’s Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Proposal.” February 15, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-94—Hearing on H.R. 3973, to facilitate the development of energy on Indian lands by reducing Federal regulations that impede tribal development of Indian lands, and for other purposes. February 15, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-95—Oversight hearing on the “Proposed Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) for the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge.” February 17, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans)

112-96—Oversight field hearing in Steubenville, Ohio, on “Natural Gas—America’s New Energy Opportunity: Creating Jobs, Energy and Community Growth”. February 27, 2012, Steubenville, Ohio. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-97—Oversight hearing on “FY 2013 Budget Requests from the National Park Service and the Bureau of Land Management.” February 28, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-98—Hearing on H.R. 1272, to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al., by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes. March 1, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-99—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY 2013 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Office of Surface Mining on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy Production, State Programs and Deficit Reduction.” March 6, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-100—Oversight hearing on “The Council on Environmental Quality’s FY 2013 Funding Request and the Effects on NEPA, National Ocean Policy and Other Federal Environmental Policy Initiatives.” March 7, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-101—Oversight hearing on the “Effect of the President’s FY 2013 Budget and Legislative Proposals for the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service’s Energy and Minerals Programs on Private Sector Job Creation, Domestic Energy and Minerals Production and Deficit Reduction.” March 20, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-102—Oversight hearing on “The Proposed Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial.” March 20, 2012, Washington D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-103—Oversight hearing entitled “Empty Hooks: The National Ocean Policy is the Latest Threat to Access for Recreational and Commercial Fishermen.” March 22, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-104—Hearing on H.R. 1241, to establish the Rio Grande del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes; H.R. 1818, to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence, and for other purposes; H.R. 2984, to designate certain Federal lands within the Cross Island National Wildlife Refuge and the Petit Manan National Wildlife Refuge, part of the Maine Coastal Islands National Wildlife Refuge Complex, in Lincoln County, Hancock County, and Washington County, Maine, as wilderness; and

H.R. 4234, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to improve the management of grazing leases and permits, and for other purposes. March 29, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-105—Oversight field hearing in Anchorage, Alaska, entitled “Alaska’s Sovereignty In Peril: The National Ocean Policy’s Goal to Federalize Alaska.” April 3, 2012, Anchorage, Alaska. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-106—Oversight hearing on the “Impacts of the Bureau of Land Management’s Hydraulic Fracturing Rule on Indian Tribal Energy Development.” April 19, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs)

112-107—Oversight hearing on “Increased Electricity Costs for American Families and Small Businesses: The Potential Impacts of the Chu Memorandum.” April 26, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-108—Hearing on H.R. 4094, to authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access in Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, and for other purposes; and Oversight hearing on “Access Denied: Turning Away Visitors to National Parks.” April 27, 2012, Washington, D.C. (National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-109—Hearing on H.R. 3210, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to limit the application of that Act with respect to plants and plant products that were imported before the effective date of amendments to that Act enacted in 2008, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4171, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to repeal certain provisions relating to criminal penalties and violations of foreign laws, and for other purposes. May 8, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs)

112-110—Oversight hearing on “Evaluating President Obama’s Offshore Drilling Plan and Impacts on Our Future.” May 9, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Full Committee)

112-111—Joint oversight field hearing in Montrose, Colorado, on “Logs in the Road: Eliminating Federal Red Tape and Excessive Litigation to Create Healthy Forests, Jobs and Abundant Water and Power Supplies.” May 14, 2012, Montrose, Colorado. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, and Subcommittee on Water and Power)

112-112—Oversight field hearing in Longview, Washington, on “Failed Federal Forest Policies: Endangering Jobs, Forests and Species.” May 21, 2012, Longview, Washington. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-113—Oversight hearing on the “Obama Administration’s Actions Against the Spruce Coal Mine: Canceled Permits, Lawsuits and Lost Jobs.” June 1, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources)

112-114—Oversight hearing on the “Future of the National Mall.” June 1, 2012, Washington, D.C. (Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands)

112-115—Oversight field hearing in Phoenix, Arizona, on “Evaporating Prosperity: How Federal Actions Are Driving Up Water and Power Costs, Threatening Jobs and Leaving Arizonans

High and Dry.” June 4, 2012, Phoenix, Arizona. (Subcommittee on Water and Power)

APPENDIX II

LEGISLATION PASSED HOUSE

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED HOUSE (BY DATE)

[Asterisk (*) denotes bills that the Committee on Natural Resources was not the lead Committee]

01/19/2011—H.R. 2*, to repeal the job-killing health care law and health care-related provisions in the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 245–189.

03/02/2011—H.R. 662*, to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 421–4. (Public Law 111–5)

05/05/2011—H.R. 1230, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes. Passed House by vote of 266–149.

05/11/2011—H.R. 1229, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 263–163.

05/12/2011—H.R. 1231, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to require that each 5-year offshore oil and gas leasing program offer leasing in the areas with the most prospective oil and gas resources, to establish a domestic oil and natural gas production goal, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 243–179.

07/26/2011—H.R. 1938*, to direct the President to expedite the consideration and approval of the construction and operation of the Keystone XL oil pipeline, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 279–147.

10/03/2011—H.R. 470, to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote. (Public Law 112–72)

10/03/2011—H.R. 473, to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote. (Public Law 112–103)

10/03/2011—H.R. 489, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote. (Public Law 112–45)

10/03/2011—H.R. 670, to convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give

that territory the same benefits in its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands. Passed House by vote of 397–0.

10/03/2011—H.R. 686, to require the conveyance of certain public land within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, to support the training and readiness of the Utah National Guard. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 400–0.

10/03/2011—H.R. 765*, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other purposes. Passed House by vote of 394–0. (Public Law 112–46)

10/24/2011—H.R. 295, to amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998 to authorize funds to acquire hydrographic data and provide hydrographic services specific to the Arctic for safe navigation, delineating the United States extended continental shelf, and the monitoring and description of coastal changes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

10/24/2011—H.R. 320, to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California. Passed House by vote of 392–1.

10/24/2011—H.R. 441, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for microhydro projects in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

10/24/2011—H.R. 461, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

10/24/2011—H.R. 818, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District. Passed House by voice vote. (Public Law 112–52)

10/24/2011—H.R. 1160, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 395–0.

10/26/2011—H.R. 1904, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources in southeast Arizona by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 235–186.

11/14/2011—H.R. 588, to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge. Passed House by voice vote. (Public Law 112–94)

12/07/2011—H.R. 944, to eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by incorporating the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, into the California Coastal National Monument managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote.

12/07/2011—H.R. 1560, to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Restoration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe. Passed House by voice vote.

12/07/2011—H.R. 2351, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area. Passed House by voice vote.

12/07/2011—H.R. 2360, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to extend the Constitution, laws, and jurisdiction of the United States to installations and devices attached to the seabed of the Outer Continental Shelf for the production and support of production of energy from sources other than oil and gas, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote.

12/07/2011—S. 535*, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote. (Public Law 112-69)

12/07/2011—S. 683*, a bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Mantua, Utah. Passed House by voice vote. (Public Law 112-70)

12/07/2011—S. Con. Res. 32*, a concurrent resolution to authorize the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of H.R. 470, an Act to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote.

12/13/2011—H.R. 3630*, to provide incentives for the creation of jobs, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 234-193. (Public Law 112-96)

12/15/2011—H.R. 443, to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 407-4.

12/15/2011—H.R. 2719, to ensure public access to the summit of Rattlesnake Mountain in the Hanford Reach National Monument for educational, recreational, historical, scientific, cultural, and other purposes. Passed House by vote of 416-0.

12/16/2011—S. 278*, a bill to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 413-0. (Public Law 112-79)

12/23/2011—H.R. 3765*, to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes. Passed House without objection. (Public Law 112-78)

01/23/2011—H.R. 1141, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating prehistoric, historic, and limestone forest sites on Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as a unit of the National Park System. Passed House by vote of 278-100.

01/23/2011—H.R. 3117, to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck

stamps, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 373–1.

01/24/2012—H.R. 290, to amend title 36, United States Code, to ensure that memorials commemorating the service of the United States Armed Forces may contain religious symbols, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote.

01/24/2012—H.R. 2070, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 386–26.

01/25/2012—H.R. 1022, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes. Passed House by vote of 338–70.

02/06/2012—H.R. 306, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

02/06/2012—H.R. 1162, to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 381–7. (Public Law 112–97)

02/07/2012—H.R. 2606, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

02/16/2012—H.R. 3408, to set clear rules for the development of United States oil shale resources, to promote shale technology research and development, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 237–187.

02/29/2012—H.R. 1837, to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 246–175.

03/01/2012—S. 1134*, a bill to authorize the St. Croix River Crossing Project with appropriate mitigation measures to promote river values. Passed House by vote of 339–80. (Public Law 112–100).

03/07/2012—H.R. 2842, to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 265–154.

03/20/2012—H.R. 2087, to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 240–164.

03/29/2012—H.R. 4281*, to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs. Passed House by vote of 266–158. (Public Law 112–102)

04/17/2012—H.R. 4089, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 274–146.

04/18/2012—H.R. 4348*, to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 293–127.

04/24/2012—H.R. 491, to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the national forest, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote.

04/24/2012—H.R. 2157, to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Inyo National Forest, and for other purposes. Passed House by vote of 376–2.

04/24/2012—H.R. 2947, to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota. Passed House by voice vote. (Public Law 112–129)

04/25/2012—H.R. 1038, to authorize the conveyance of two small parcels of land within the boundaries of the Coconino National Forest containing private improvements that were developed based upon the reliance of the landowners in an erroneous survey conducted in May 1960. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 421–1.

04/26/2012—H.R. 2050, to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote.

04/26/2012—H.R. 2240, to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

04/27/2012—H.R. 4849, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by unanimous consent. (Public Law 112–128)

05/15/2012—H.R. 205, to amend the Act titled “An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases”, approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 400–0.

05/15/2012—H.R. 3874, to provide for the conveyance of eight cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota. Passed House, as amended, by vote of 400–1.

05/16/2012—H.R. 2621, to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

05/16/2012—H.R. 2745, to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat con-

ervation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

06/05/2012—H.R. 241, to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

06/05/2012—H.R. 1740, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

06/05/2012—H.R. 2060, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

06/05/2012—H.R. 2336, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

06/05/2012—H.R. 2512, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Clark County, Nevada, for the environmental remediation and reclamation of the Three Kids Mine Project Site, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

06/05/2012—H.R. 3263, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote.

06/05/2012—H.R. 4222, to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes. Passed House, as amended, by voice vote.

06/06/2012—S. 292*, a bill to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. Passed House by voice vote. (Public Law 112–133)

06/06/2012—S. 363*, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes. Passed House by voice vote. (Public Law 112–134)

APPENDIX III

LIST OF PUBLIC LAWS

[Asterisk (*) denotes bills that were not referred to the Committee on Natural Resources but contain provisions under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Natural Resources]

Public Law 112–5: (H.R. 662), To provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs. (Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2011)

Public Law 112–45: (H.R. 489), To clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, and for other purposes.

Public Law 112–46: (H.R. 765), To amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other purposes. (Ski Area Recreational Opportunity Enhancement Act of 2011)

Public Law 112–52: (H.R. 818) [S. 808*], To direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District.

Public Law 112–69: (S. 535) [H.R. 2687], To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument, and for other purposes. (Fort Pulaski National Monument Lease Authorization Act)

Public Law 112–70: (S. 683*) [H.R. 1258], To provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Mantua, Utah. (Box Elder Utah Land Conveyance Act)

Public Law 112–72: (H.R. 470), To further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and for other purposes. (Hoover Power Allocation Act of 2011)

Public Law 112–74: (H.R. 2055*) [H.R. 2687, S. 535], Making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes. (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012)

Public Law 112–78: (H.R. 3765), To extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes. (Temporary Payroll Tax Cut Continuation Act of 2011)

Public Law 112–79: (S. 278*) [H.R. 643], A bill to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National

Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes. (Sugar Loaf Fire Protection District Land Exchange Act of 2011)

Public Law 112–81: (H.R. 1540*) [H.R. 1670], To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2012 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes. (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012)

Public Law 112–94: (H.R. 588) [S. 266], To redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.

Public Law 112–96: (H.R. 3630) [H.R. 3548], A bill to extend the payroll tax holiday, unemployment compensation, Medicare physician payment, provide for the consideration of the Keystone XL pipeline, and for other purposes. (Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012)

Public Law 112–97: (H.R. 1162), To provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes.

Public Law 112–100: (S. 1134) [H.R. 850], A bill to authorize the St. Croix River Crossing Project with appropriate mitigation measures to promote river values. (St. Croix River Crossing Project Authorization Act)

Public Law 112–102: (H.R. 4281), To provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs. (Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2012)

Public Law 112–103: (H.R. 473) [S. 610*], To provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes. (Help to Access Land for the Education of Scouts)

Public Law 112–128: (H.R. 4849), To direct the Secretary of the Interior to issue commercial use authorizations to commercial stock operators for operations in designated wilderness within the Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, and for other purposes. (Sequoia and King Canyon National Parks Backcountry Access Act)

Public Law 112–129: (H.R. 2947), To provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota.

Public Law 112–133: (S. 292) [H.R. 296], A bill to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. (Salmon Lake Land Selection Resolution Act)

Public Law 112–134: (S. 363), A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes.

APPENDIX IV

COMMITTEE PRINTS

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APPENDIX V

COMMITTEE LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

House Report 112-67, Part 1, (H.R. 1229), to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to facilitate the safe and timely production of American energy resources from the Gulf of Mexico.

House Report 112-68 (H.R. 1230), to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-69 (H.R. 1231), to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to require that each 5-year offshore oil and gas leasing program offer leasing in the areas with the most prospective oil and gas resources, to establish a domestic oil and natural gas production goal, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-156 (H.R. 290), to amend title 36, United States Code, to ensure that memorials commemorating the service of the United States Armed Forces may contain religious symbols, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-157 (H.R. 295), to amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998 to authorize funds to acquire hydrographic data and provide hydrographic services specific to the Arctic for safe navigation, delineating the United States extended continental shelf, and the monitoring and description of coastal changes.

House Report 112-158 (H.R. 441), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for a microhydro project in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes.

House Report 112-159, Part 1, (H.R. 470), to further allocate and expand the availability of hydroelectric power generated at Hoover Dam, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-160 (H.R. 489), to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-161 (H.R. 643), to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-162 (H.R. 670), to convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give that territory the same benefits in its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands.

House Report 112-163 (H.R. 686), to require the conveyance of certain public land within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, to support the training and readiness of the Utah National Guard.

House Report 112-164, Part 1, (H.R. 765), to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that is subject to ski area permits, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-165 (H.R. 944), to eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by incorporating the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, into the California Coastal National Monument managed by the Bureau of Land Management, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-166 (H.R. 1022), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the role of the Buffalo Soldiers in the early years of the National Parks, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-167 (H.R. 1141), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating prehistoric, historic, and limestone forest sites on Rota, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, as a unit of the National Park System.

House Report 112-168 (H.R. 1160), to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-170 (H.R. 320), to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California.

House Report 112-171 (S. 266), a bill to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.

House Report 112-175, Part 1, (H.R. 1670), to amend the Sikes Act to improve the application of that Act to State-owned facilities used for the national defense.

House Report 112-216, (H.R. 241), to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California.

House Report 112-217, (H.R. 461), to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal features of the electric distribution system to the South Utah Valley Electric Service District, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-218, (H.R. 473), to provide for the conveyance of approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-219, Part 1, (H.R. 795), to expand small-scale hydropower.

House Report 112-220, (H.R. 1258), to provide for the conveyance of parcels of land to Mantua, Box Elder County, Utah.

House Report 112-221, Part 1, (H.R. 1421), to amend the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 to clarify the role of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma with regard to the maintenance of the W.D. Mayo Lock and Dam in Oklahoma.

House Report 112-222, (H.R. 1560), to amend the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo and Alabama and Coushatta Indian Tribes of Texas Res-

toration Act to allow the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Tribe to determine blood quantum requirement for membership in that tribe.

House Report 112-245, Part 1, (H.R. 258), to require the Office of Management and Budget to prepare a crosscut budget for restoration activities in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, to require the Environmental Protection Agency to develop and implement an adaptive management plan, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-246 (H.R. 1904), to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources in southeast Arizona by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-247 (H.R. 818), to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District.

House Report 112-248 (H.R. 2011), to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an assessment of the capability of the Nation to meet our current and future demands for the minerals critical to United States manufacturing competitiveness and economic and national security in a time of expanding resource nationalism, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-249 (H.R. 2150), to amend the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an expeditious program of competitive leasing of oil and gas in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska, including at least one lease sale in the Reserve each year in the period 2011 through 2021, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-250 (H.R. 2170), streamlining Federal review to facilitate renewable energy projects.

House Report 112-251 (H.R. 2171), to promote timely exploration for geothermal resources under existing geothermal leases, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-252 (H.R. 2173), to facilitate the development of offshore wind energy resources.

House Report 112-279 (H.R. 588), to redesignate the Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge as the Sam D. Hamilton Noxubee National Wildlife Refuge.

House Report 112-280 (H.R. 1408), to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-298 (S. 535), a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands within Fort Pulaski National Monument, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-299 (H.R. 1158), to authorize the conveyance of mineral rights by the Secretary of the Interior in the State of Montana, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-300, Part 1 (H.R. 2172), to facilitate the development of wind energy resources on Federal lands.

House Report 112-301 (H.R. 2842), to authorize all Bureau of Reclamation conduit facilities for hydropower development under Federal Reclamation law, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-302 (H.R. 2803), to direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, to conduct a technological capability assessment, survey, and economic feasibility study regarding recov-

ery of minerals, other than oil and natural gas, from the shallow and deep seabed of the United States.

House Report 112-303 (H.R. 2578), to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act related to a segment of the Lower Merced River in California, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-304 (H.R. 2360), to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to extend the Constitution, laws, and jurisdiction of the United States to installations and devices attached to the seabed of the Outer Continental Shelf for the production and support of production of energy from sources other than oil and gas, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-305 (H.R. 2351), to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area.

House Report 112-306 (H.R. 1556), to amend the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act to allow certain land to be used to generate income to provide funding for academic programs, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-307 (H.R. 1461), to authorize the Mescalero Apache Tribe to lease adjudicated water rights.

House Report 112-308 (H.R. 991), to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

House Report 112-309 (H.R. 850), to facilitate a proposed project in the Lower St. Croix Wild and Scenic River, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-310 (H.R. 306), to direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement to provide for management of the free-roaming wild horses in and around the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge.

House Report 112-318, Part 1 (H.R. 443), to provide for the conveyance of certain property from the United States to the Maniilaq Association located in Kotzebue, Alaska.

House Report 112-319, Part 1 (H.R. 1466), to resolve the status of certain persons legally residing in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands under the immigration laws of the United States.

House Report 112-320 (H.R. 1740), to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

House Report 112-321 (H.R. 2719), to ensure public access to the summit of Rattlesnake Mountain in the Hanford Reach National Monument for educational, recreational, historical, scientific, cultural, and other purposes.

House Report 112-322 (H.R. 3069), to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to reduce predation on endangered Columbia River salmon and other nonlisted species, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-367 (H.R. 200), to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the Rialto-Colton Basin in the State of California, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-368 (H.R. 2070), to direct the Secretary of the Interior to install in the area of the World War II Memorial in the District of Columbia a suitable plaque or an inscription with the words that President Franklin D. Roosevelt prayed with the nation on June 6, 1944, the morning of D-Day.

House Report 112-369 (H.R. 2087), to remove restrictions from a parcel of land situated in the Atlantic District, Accomack County, Virginia.

House Report 112-370 (H.R. 2336), to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the York River and associated tributaries for study for potential inclusion in the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

House Report 112-371 (H.R. 2752), to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct on-shore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live lease sales, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-372, Part 1 (H.R. 2236), to provide for the issuance of a Wildlife Refuge System Conservation Semipostal Stamp.

House Report 112-373 (H.R. 2606), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities in the Gateway National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-374 (H.R. 3117), to grant the Secretary of the Interior permanent authority to authorize States to issue electronic duck stamps, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-387 (H.R. 1162), to provide the Quileute Indian Tribe Tsunami and Flood Protection, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-392 (H.R. 3408), to set clear rules for the development of United States oil shale resources, to promote shale technology research and development, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-393 (H.R. 3407), to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish and implement a competitive oil and gas leasing program for the exploration, development, and production of the oil and gas resources of the Coastal Plain of Alaska, to ensure secure energy supplies for the continental Pacific Coast of the United States, lower prices, and reduce imports, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-395 (H.R. 3410), to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain offshore oil and gas lease sales, to provide fair and equitable revenue sharing for all coastal States, to formulate future offshore energy development plans in areas with the most potential, to generate revenue for American infrastructure, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-403 (H.R. 1837), to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-426, Part 1, (H.R. 4089), to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing and shooting.

House Report 112-427 (H.R. 205), to amend the Act titled "An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other

purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases”, approved August 9, 1955, to provide for Indian tribes to enter into certain leases without prior express approval from the Secretary of the Interior.

House Report 112-428 (S. 292), a bill to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

House Report 112-429 (S. 897), a bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects and acid mine remediation programs.

House Report 112-430 (H.R. 1545), to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-431 (H.R. 2915), to repeal the Western Area Power Administration borrowing authority, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-432 (S. 271), a bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-433 (S. 404), a bill to modify a land grant patent issued by the Secretary of the Interior.

House Report 112-434 (S. 684), a bill to provide for the conveyance of certain parcels of land to the town of Alta, Utah.

House Report 112-435 (H.R. 491), to modify the boundaries of Cibola National Forest in the State of New Mexico, to transfer certain Bureau of Land Management land for inclusion in the national forest, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-436 (H.R. 1038), to authorize the conveyance of two small parcels of land within the boundaries of the Coconino National Forest containing private improvements that were developed based upon the reliance of the landowners in an erroneous survey conducted in May 1960.

House Report 112-437 (H.R. 2050), to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-438 (H.R. 2060), to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary, to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-439 (H.R. 2157), to facilitate a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Inyo National Forest, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-440 (H.R. 2938), to prohibit certain gaming activities on certain Indian lands in Arizona.

House Report 112-441 (H.R. 2947), to provide for the release of the reversionary interest held by the United States in certain land conveyed by the United States in 1950 for the establishment of an airport in Cook County, Minnesota.

House Report 112-442 (H.R. 3263), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the storage and conveyance of nonproject water at the Norman project in Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-448, Part 1, (H.R. 1505), to prohibit the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture from taking action on public lands which impede border security on such lands, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-449 (H.R. 1335), to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-450 (H.R. 2240), to authorize the exchange of land or interest in land between Lowell National Historical Park and the city of Lowell in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-451 (H.R. 2362), to facilitate economic development by Indian tribes and encourage investment by Turkish enterprises.

House Report 112-452 (H.R. 3452), to provide for the sale of approximately 30 acres of Federal land in Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Salt Lake County, Utah, to permit the establishment of a minimally invasive transportation alternative for skiers, called "SkiLink", to connect two ski resorts in the Wasatch Mountains, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-473 (H.R. 2621), to establish the Chimney Rock National Monument in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-474 (H.R. 2745), to amend the Mesquite Lands Act of 1986 to facilitate implementation of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for the Virgin River in Clark County, Nevada.

House Report 112-475 (H.R. 3874), to provide for the conveyance of eight cemeteries that are located on National Forest System land in Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota.

House Report 112-500 (H.R. 1237), to provide for a land exchange with the Trinity Public Utilities District of Trinity County, California, involving the transfer of land to the Bureau of Land Management and the Six Rivers National Forest in exchange for National Forest System land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-501 (H.R. 1272), to provide for the use and distribution of the funds awarded to the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, et al, by the United States Court of Federal Claims in Docket Numbers 19 and 188, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-502 (S. 363), a bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to convey property of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-503, Part 1, (H.R. 460), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to facilitate the development of hydroelectric power on the Diamond Fork System of the Central Utah Project.

House Report 112-505 (H.R. 1818), to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-506 (S. 925), a bill to designate Mt. Andrea Lawrence.

House Report 112-509 (H.R. 4027), to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled "An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes".

House Report 112-510 (H.R. 4222), to provide for the conveyance of certain land inholdings owned by the United States to the Tucson Unified School District and to the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-512 (H.R. 2512), to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Clark County, Nevada, for the environmental remediation and reclamation of the Three Kids Mine Project Site, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-524, Part 1, (H.R. 3685), to amend the Herger-Feinstein Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery Act to extend and expand the scope of the pilot forest management project required by that Act.

House Report 112-525 (H.R. 4039), to convey certain Federal land to the city of Yerington, Nevada.

House Report 112-526, Part 1, (H.R. 4094), to authorize pedestrian and motorized vehicular access in Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-527 (S. 997), a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to extend a water contract between the United States and the East Bench Irrigation District.

House Report 112-528, Part 1, (H.R. 4383), to streamline the application for permits to drill process and increase funds for energy project permit processing, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-529, Part 1, (H.R. 3065), to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States.

House Report 112-530 (H.R. 4381), to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish goals for an all-of-the-above energy production plan strategy on a 4-year basis on all onshore Federal lands managed by the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service.

House Report 112-531 (H.R. 4382), to ensure Federal oil and natural gas lease sales occur, eliminate redundant leasing bureaucracy, and provide leasing certainty.

House Report 112-532 (H.R. 2352), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundary of the Stephen Mather Wilderness and the North Cascades National Park in order to allow the rebuilding of a road outside of the floodplain while ensuring that there is no net loss of acreage to the Park or the Wilderness, and for other purposes.

House Report 112-533, Part 1, (H.R. 4234), to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to improve the management of grazing leases and permits, and for other purposes.

APPENDIX VI

ADDITIONAL VIEWS

Throughout the 112th Congress, the Natural Resources Committee has focused extensively on how to keep and create new American jobs, protect the environment and grow our economy through the responsible use and management of our natural resources. The Committee has advanced common sense actions plans to address some of our Nation's greatest obstacles, spur job creation, and increase America's economic competitiveness.

Republicans support a true all-of-the-above energy plan that includes alternative and renewable sources such as wind, solar, hydropower, nuclear, geothermal and biomass along with oil, natural gas and coal. Over the period covered by this report, the House of Representatives has passed numerous bipartisan bills from the Natural Resources Committee to expand access to all type of American energy resources.

In February the House voted to pass a bipartisan plan to expand offshore energy production, open less than three percent of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) for oil and natural gas production, and encourage the development of 1.5 trillion barrels of oil shale in the Rocky Mountain West. This energy measure would create over 1.2 million jobs, raise over \$4.3 billion in new federal revenues, help lower gasoline prices and strengthen our national and economic security. The House has also passed legislation to promote the development of clean, renewable hydropower, ensure the timely develop of the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska (NPR), and streamline government red tape to onshore energy production.

In addition to energy legislation, the Committee is conducting close oversight of the Obama Administration's offshore leasing plan for 2012–2017. This draft plan released by the Administration last year closes 85 percent of our offshore areas to energy activity. It opens no new areas for energy production and makes no mention of energy production goals. It's a plan that reinstates the drilling moratoria lifted in 2008 and locks up vital American energy resources.

The Natural Resources Committee has advanced several other bills to streamline government regulations that are costing American jobs and harming the economy.

In February, the House approved the bipartisan Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Water Reliability Act. This compressive bill would restore water deliveries that have been cut-off due to federal regulations and environmental lawsuits, protect tens of thousands of jobs, ensure a reliable water supply for people and fish, secure water rights, and save taxpayer money by ending unnecessary and dubious government projects.

In June, the House passed the Conservation and Economic Growth Act, a bipartisan package of bills to remove federal red tape to responsible, local economic development and job growth. The bill would encourage tourism and recreation, promote responsible use of our public lands and resources, protect the environment, and secure federal lands along the U.S. border.

The Natural Resources Committee is also conducting oversight on a number of important issues.

The Committee has held multiple oversight hearings on the President's Executive Order to impose a National Ocean Policy and ocean zoning. This Executive Order creates a massive new bureaucracy that could harm our economy and American jobs. The impact of this Executive Order is not limited to just our oceans and establishes regional planning bodies with the authority to regulate as far inland as necessary. Millions of Americans depend on the ocean for their livelihoods and there needs to be a balanced, multi-use policy that recognizes both the importance of environmental stewardship and the responsible use of our oceans. Unfortunately, President Obama's Executive Order uses the ocean as a regulatory tool to limit job-creating activities on both land and sea.

The Committee is continuing to hold oversight hearings to examine how the Endangered Species Act (ESA) could be improved and updated. Congress last renewed the ESA in 1988. Updating the 24-year-old law will help ensure that it works better to recover endangered species and is not used as a simply a tool for endless, taxpayer funded litigation.

Finally, the Committee has been conducting two long-running oversight investigations into Obama Administration actions and policies that have a direct impact on American jobs and our economy. The investigations relate to the Obama Administration's rewrite of a coal production regulation and why an Obama Administration report that recommended a six-month drilling moratorium in the Gulf of Mexico was edited to make it appear as though the moratorium was supported by a panel of engineering experts when in fact it was not. The Interior Department is withholding requested information on these topics and continues to flout Congressional subpoenas for documents.

Through the responsible use of our natural resources, it's possible to create new jobs and revitalize our economy, while still protecting the environment. For the remainder of the year, the Natural Resources Committee will remain focused on promoting these common sense, job-creating policies.

DOC HASTINGS,
Chairman.

DISSENTING VIEWS

In our Dissenting Views on the 2nd Quarterly Activities Report submitted in December we noted that, “This repetitive, single-minded focus on drilling has operated to the exclusion of constructive discussions of cleaner, more sustainable energy sources, not to mention the broad array of non-energy related matters within the Committee’s jurisdiction . . . the Majority’s vision is so one-dimensional, and has been promoted so exclusively, that the Committee has largely abdicated its responsibility to respond to the legislative priorities of House Members.”

This unfortunate pattern continues. Two-thirds of the Full Committee Oversight hearings covered by this Activities Report were oil-related. This “Oil Above All” agenda not only prevents consideration of other critical priorities, it also prohibits bipartisan and bicameral cooperation. As a result, not a single Republican energy bill has been enacted into law. It is difficult to imagine a larger investment of Committee resources yielding a smaller return.

While the Committee has continued to pursue unserious drilling legislation, energy markets have proven that the premise underlying the Republican “Oil Above All” energy agenda is faulty. Domestic oil production from federal lands is higher than during the last three years of the Bush Administration and, across the United States, oil production is at an 18-year high and natural gas production is at an all-time high. Nevertheless, American consumers are still subject to harmful price fluctuations. Meanwhile, in Committee and on the House floor, Republicans have voted in lock-step to reject Democratic proposals to address the real causes of high energy prices—speculation and a lack of renewable alternatives. The Majority has also opposed requiring Big Oil to pay its fair share for the privilege of drilling on the public’s land at a time when the industry is enjoying record profitability.

The Majority has demonstrated that “Oil Above All” specifically means oil above our National Parks, Forests and Public Lands. House Republicans have pushed legislation that would require such extreme levels of oil and gas development on public lands that virtually all other uses—including hunting, fishing, recreation, grazing and conservation—would be excluded.

Despite requests from House Members from both sides of the aisle, the Majority is failing to act on popular, proactive, public lands bills. Instead, the Majority has pushed through the divisive Republican “Lands” package (H.R. 2578) which would mandate a 100-mile wide “drone zone” along our Mexican and Canadian borders within which 16 environmental statutes are waived and the Department of Homeland Security is authorized to seize control of all federal land management. While the Majority has looked the other way, vast swaths of the American West are being ravaged by

wildfire, insects, invasive species and habitat destruction; threatens the Majority steadfastly refuses to address.

The Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs continues to examine ways to undermine sound conservation policy while ignoring vital national security issues in insular areas. Notably, the Majority has sought amendments to the Lacey Act that would undermine law enforcement efforts targeting organized crime, harm the environment and domestic timber industry, and endanger law enforcement officers. The Majority also continues to promote partisan politics and fear mongering rather than supporting implementation of a National Ocean Policy that would coordinate traditional and new ocean users, create jobs and improve the health of the oceans and our national security.

The Indian and Alaska Native Affairs Subcommittee has been busy injecting Congress into inter-tribal disputes over gaming market shares and authorizing Alaska Native corporations to clear cut the Tongass. Meanwhile, the Committee has failed to address the impact of the Supreme Court decision in the Carcieri case which has left the status of tribal trust land in limbo.

The Water and Power Subcommittee appears focused on bestowing unjustifiable deregulatory giveaways on hydropower producers while doing nothing to address drought. At a time when the Congress should be helping local communities combat climate change and develop sustainable water and power supplies, the Subcommittee has instead focused on preempting state law, undermining sound science, blocking the development of transmission lines to bring renewable energy to market, and weakening existing environmental protections.

The Majority has also invested significant effort in two dubious investigations of the Obama Administration. The magnitude of the Committee's efforts appears inversely related to the significance of the subject-matter. Instead of investigating the BP oil spill and making sure necessary drilling safety improvements are made, the Majority has investigated the Administration's editing of a two-year-old report that provided recommendations on responding to the spill. Rather than documenting the environmental and public health harms caused by mountaintop removal mining, the Majority has investigated an ongoing rulemaking to protect Appalachian streams from this destructive practice. In the end, despite the enormous time and money expended by both the Administration and this Committee, no evidence of wrongdoing has been discovered in either investigation.

We have concluded our Dissenting Views on each of these Quarterly Activities Reports with a pledge to work with the Majority in the coming months on bipartisan legislation that would address the nation's resource needs and respond to the legislative priorities of House Members. Today, we reiterate that commitment. The final Activities Report to be filed in December will be the last opportunity for the Committee to demonstrate real accomplishment this Congress; we are hopeful that document will not require yet another round of Dissenting Views.

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